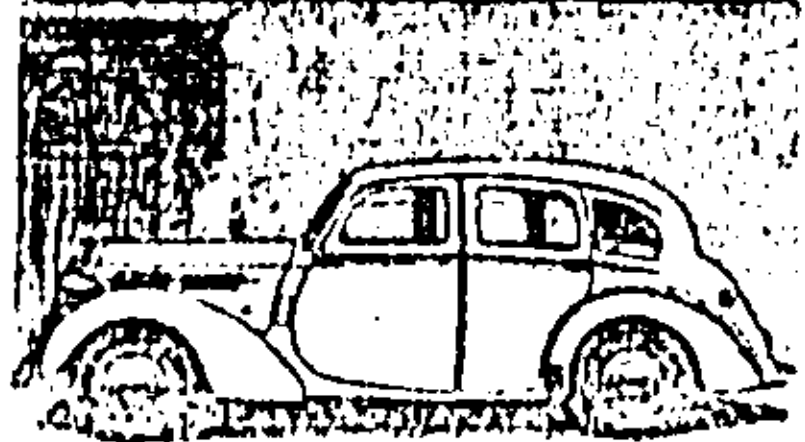


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Japan's Foreign Policy Disclosed In Diet FRANCE, RUSSIA WARNED BY FOREIGN MINISTER

CLOSED "OPEN" DOOR IN CHINA

TOKYO, Jan. 21.
THE FOREIGN MINISTER, Mr. H. Arita, delivered his speech on Foreign Affairs at the re-opening of the seventy-fourth Diet to-day, after its New Year recess.

In his speech, Mr. Arita reiterated that Japan's foreign policy was based upon the promotion of the interests and welfare of the peoples of Japan, China and Manchukuo.

The Japanese Foreign Minister issued a warning that "proper steps" would be taken regarding the conveyance of arms through French Indo-China and other territories.

He gave an indication that a new "Central Government" would shortly be formed in China, and referred to the flight from Chungking of Wang Ching-wei.

PEACE PLAN REITERATED

Japan, he reiterated, sought neither Chinese territory nor indemnity for the cost of military operations. He declared that Japan would respect the sovereignty of China and was "prepared to give practical consideration to the question of the abolition of extraterritoriality and the rendition of foreign concessions and settlements."

Mr. Arita's speech leaves no doubt that, in the event of a Japanese victory, restrictions against Third Powers will continue after the termination of hostilities.

"If we are to embark on the creation of a new order in East Asia through 'mutual assistance'... it will be necessary to enforce certain restrictions and regulations in spheres having a vital bearing on the national defence and economic independence of Japan, Manchukuo and China," he declared. "But these measures will be confined to minimum requirements."

Mr. Arita warned Soviet Russia that Japan was prepared to take appropriate steps when it comes to a question of protecting her legitimate vested rights and interest. The speech, in part, is as follows: "At the time when Japan's international relations are becoming im-



MR. H. ARITA

Anglo-U.S. Supremacy At Sea Stressed

TOKYO, Jan. 20.
A WARNING that Japan must envisage a combined stand by Great Britain, the United States, France and Soviet Russia, in which the navies of those Powers would play a prominent part, was contained in a pamphlet issued by the Publicity Bureau of the Japanese Admiralty to-day. The pamphlet declares that the four democracies are standing behind China.

Great Britain and the United States, it declares, have recently increased political and economic pressure on Japan.

"Simultaneously, Great Britain and the United States are redoubling their efforts to expand their armaments."

NEW U.S. NAVY

"The new American naval plan will give the United States the most formidable fleet in the world—a navy of 2,250,000 tons, with thirty battleships and ten aircraft carriers as a nucleus."

"The British re-armament programme will give England a navy of 2,000,000 tons by 1942."

"The Soviet Union has the largest submarine fleet in the world. Of its fleet, sixty submarines have been assigned to the Far East. In addition, Soviet Russia has under construction two battleships of 35,000 tons and seven cruisers of 6,000 tons. "In attempting to build up a new order in East Asia, we may be

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H.K. ROAD FATALITIES

Carelessness Caused Most Accidents

DRIVERS OF PRIVATE cars were responsible for the majority of traffic fatalities and accidents in Hongkong last year. Lorry drivers, however, were more often involved in accidents.

One hundred and fifteen people were killed and 1,647 were injured as a result of the accidents. The totals are the highest ever recorded in Hongkong.

The drivers of private cars were involved in 1,007 accidents, representing an average of one accident for every two private cars registered in the Colony.

Although there are only 945 lorries in the Colony, this type of vehicle was responsible for 1,005 accidents.

The Colony's 35 trams were involved in 355 accidents, of which public cars and taxis, of which

there are 350 registered, were involved in 355 accidents.

Two hundred and thirty-one buses were involved in 639 accidents—almost three accidents to each bus.

Rickshaws appeared to be the safest method of locomotion. Although there are 898 rickshaws in the Colony, they were involved in only 120 accidents.

The Colony's 291 motor cycles succeeded in producing 102 accidents.

Nearly all accidents involving collisions between vehicles (there were 1,760 cases) resulted from carelessness driving.

A.R.P. In Hongkong

Women As Well As Men Volunteer For War-Time Work

WOMEN AS WELL as men are being recruited in Hongkong's new force—the Air Raid Wardens—for service in wartime. About 2,000 women are required in the total force of 6,000 wardens being recruited.

"The Great War definitely proved that women had as much courage as men and we are encouraging them to register for voluntary service," said the Hongkong Air Raids Precautions Officer, Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele Perkins this morning.

"Of the three people at each of the 2,000 Air Raid Posts in the Colony, we contemplate having two men and one woman. Recruiting will be from the ranks of 'responsible' men and women of any age."

Air Raid Wardens, said Wing Commander Steele Perkins, must be well-known and persons to whom other people look up to in the many A.R.P. districts that are being formed. They should be full of resource and initiative, and be able to inspire others with confidence.

NO AGE LIMIT

Although there is no age limit, the A.R.P. organisation would naturally prefer men or women over 30 years of age. All nationalities are asked to enrol.

Wardens will work from fixed posts. In times of war they would report the fall of bombs to headquarters and would assist first-aid personnel and other A.R.P. services which may be called to any scene of disaster. In addition A.R.P. wardens (Continued on Page 4.)

Floods In Two Hemispheres

Australia Suffers From New Terror

LONDON, Jan. 20.
FLOODS ARE continuing in England.

Hundreds of acres are inundated in the Upper Thames districts, while extensive floods are also reported in the Midlands.

The position is somewhat easier in Yorkshire.

AUSTRALIA, TOO

From Australia it is reported that serious floods are occurring in Western Australia, simultaneously with Victoria's greatest drought in 27 years.

Although slight rain has aided fire-fighters in quelling Victoria's great fires—the most extensive since Black Thursday eighty years ago—falls have been insufficient to bring relief to the drought areas.

On the other hand, cloud-bursts and floods have caused extensive damage east of Melbourne, the great gold-mining centre in Western Australia. The Trans-Continental railway has been washed away at several places and several towns and mines have been inundated. The washing away of roads and bridges has completely blocked all road traffic and unless the rains cease the food shortage in some centres will become desperate.

RECORD TEMPERATURES

"Victoria's toll in the great bush fires totalled 67. In addition, over a hundred people died from heat prostration."

Record temperatures registered in the capitals during the heat wave were 117.5 at Adelaide, 117.1 in Sydney and 114.7 at Melbourne. Temperatures exceeding 120 degrees were recorded in several country towns in the three states.

H'KONG WOMAN DETAINED

Opium Seizure In San Francisco

ARISING OUT OF the detention in San Francisco of a well-known Hongkong Chinese woman, in whose possession, it is alleged, was found 49 tins of prepared opium, revenue officers in Hongkong this week conducted a raid on an office in this Colony.

The "Telegraph" is informed that the raid in Hongkong was made after certain facts contained in letters stated to have been found in the possession of the woman arrested in San Francisco, were made known to the Hongkong authorities by Federal officials in the United States.

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American Naval Bases Near Japanese Islands

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.
THE BILL INTRODUCED in Congress to-day provides for the construction and fortification of twelve new American naval bases.

These include, in addition to Guam Island, Midway and Wake Island, on the California-Hongkong air route, Alaskan and Floridian ports, Hawaii and Porto Rico.

Fortification of Guam Island is estimated to cost U.S.\$3,500,000. No fortification will be done at Guam Island in the current fiscal year, however, the appropriation providing only for the designing of the harbour. The submarine and warplane base will be completed in 1942. Guam, it is pointed out, is less than 1,300 miles from Japan and approximately the same distance from the Philippine Islands. It lies inside the Japanese mandated area.

FAVOURABLE BY PRESIDENT

President Roosevelt to-day told reporters that he favoured the bill authorising the expenditure of \$5,000,000 for defence improvements at Guam.

He explained, however, that defence improvements did not necessarily mean fortification of the island. The President also stressed the difference between authorisations and actual appropriations, declaring that



MAP showing relation of Guam and Wake Islands to Japanese mandate islands.

mean that the project would ultimately be completed. A change in world conditions might permit abandonment of the whole project.

The President denied that the question of Guam defence improvements was being pressed at the present time as a possible basis for

Ten Million Starving In North China

LONDON, Jan. 20.
AT LEAST 10,000,000

people in Shantung, Shansi, and Hopei are destitute, stated Dr. H. R. Williamson, chairman of the Shantung Relief Committee, who has just returned to London from carrying out investigations in North China.

He made the statement at a conference of British missionary societies.

He said that there were only 20 mission hospitals in those provinces dealing with hundreds and thousands of patients, who had not even money for food.—Reuter.

Plans For Hongkong Disclosed

HONGKONG PLANS for the next few years contemplate many large-scale improvements and large buildings, according to an article by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, recently published in the "Crown Colonist."

His Excellency also reveals that the solution of the gigantic problem of overcrowding is under close examination.

The Government is contemplating advance in other parts of the administrative field.

A new sub-department is being set up in the Colony to deal with the problem of labour and the promotion of the welfare of manual workers, in the light of modern practice.

Education and health are under review with a view to their expansion. Measures taken with the object of protecting certain classes of women and girls are making rapid progress.

His Excellency states in the article, which is entitled "The role of Hongkong in the Pacific" that large-scale improvements and new buildings contemplated for the Colony will, it is hoped, be financed from revenue.

OUR DEAREST HOPE

"Her dearest hope to-day is that, when that day arrives, the troubles of the present will have long been

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The War In Spain

OUTNUMBERED LOYALIST ARMY BATTLES GRIMLY

BARCELONA, Jan. 20.

LOYALISTS SOLDIERS are withstanding fierce attacks from overwhelming forces of insurgents on six sectors of the Barcelona front.

The Loyalists are outnumbered two to one in manpower, and for every shell or bullet they are able to fire across No Man's Land the insurgents are firing five.

Foggy weather is also considerably aiding the insurgents.

Nevertheless the Loyalists have apparently succeeded in checking Franco's drive on five of the six sectors, and to-day the insurgents were able to claim only slight advances, made in one sector at terrific cost in lives.

INSURGENT CLAIMS

An insurgent communique from Hendaye claims, however, that progress was continued yesterday afternoon, realising gains as high as 7½ miles at certain points.

Everywhere Loyalist resistance was broken, notably in sectors east and west of Irun, where the Loyalists showed the greatest tenacity.

In the northern sector, insurgent troops occupied and passed Torroja. In this zone, north-east of Cervera, the insurgents took eleven villages and numerous strategic positions, and have since occupied Cervera and its fortified points, which are Torroja, Concelbela, Morancedo, and the heights of Mical, Torreta, Tudela, and Castella Sierra.

In the central zone, attacks by the insurgents resulted in the occupation yesterday evening of the village of Cunill, which is 10 kilometres from the point of departure in the morning's position, among which were La Guardia, Segur San Martin, Art, Mount Graila, and Hermitage San Sebastian, Mount Massaneta, and the heights of Boen and Lanna.

The insurgents cut the road between Torroja and Calaf.

On the southern front the insurgent attack occupied 25 village positions.—United Press

BARCELONA, Jan. 20.

Catalan refugees fleeing northwards from the battle area are creating an unprecedented problem for relief workers.

Quaker organisations are already caring for 24,000 children, whom they are feeding on milk and biscuits. In addition 101 relief centres have been opened.

Even these measures are proving inadequate, owing to the lack of provisions and replenishments.

Eighty children who were being evacuated to Barcelona from a refugee colony had narrow escapes from death to-day when the two lorries in which they were being transported were bombed by insurgent planes.

BARCELONA, Jan. 20.

Diplomatic quarters estimate that during the past six weeks there has been an average of 15 ships detained at insurgent ports at any one moment, involving considerable loss to the owners and the companies insuring the cargo.

They declare that on each occasion the British Government has protested, demanding immediate release of the cargoes, but the protests are mostly ignored, although sometimes the ship has been released—not always with its cargo—but a day later another has been seized.

Diplomatic quarters assert that the situation is all the more serious in that General Franco, in assuming even more power than he would have if granted belligerent rights, but, short of sending a warship to secure the release of the ships, the authorities are at a complete loss to know what to do.

FRANCO SNUBS PROTESTS

Citing recent instances where the Burgos Government either ignored or tardily replied to British representations, diplomatic quarters point out that firstly, despite urgent requests for information regarding the charges against the British consul at San Sebastian, no reply was received for nearly a fortnight, and then it was very meagre.

Secondly, regarding the British protest that General Franco's ships were entering territorial waters during a naval engagement off Gibraltar, when the Jose Luis Diaz attempted to es-

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FRANCO FORTIFICATIONS

Germans, Italians build Maginot-line

BARCELONA, Jan. 20.

THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT News Agency reported to-day that General Franco is strongly fortifying the Pyrenees frontier against France.

According to the report, Italian and German technicians are supervising the construction of a Maginot Line of steel and concrete pill-boxes, subterranean forts and tank pits.

The same report claims that Germany has completed the construction of three naval and submarine bases at insurgent ports on the Atlantic coast of Spain, in addition to the large Mediterranean base at

could be used for a large fleet of submarines, much larger than Franco could ever expect to gather.—United Press.

REPORT DENIED

Paris, Jan. 20.

Reports emanating from foreign sources that fortifications are being erected on the Franco-Spanish frontier against the possibility of French intervention are declared

WOMAN DECOY FACED DEATH

Apologised, Told Natives "Some Other Time"

"I was sorry to disappoint them this time, I said, but would come again when I had more leisure."

ANYBODY from a potential bazaar-opener to a man who had escaped a prison sentence might have said it. But in this case the speaker was Miss Freya Stark, explorer, describing her reply to a native chief's intimation that with great difficulty his men had been persuaded not to shoot her.

Bravado was not the explanation of Miss Stark's cool attitude. She told the Royal Geographical Society recently:

"I was rather stupid with fatigue and thought they meant a friendly reception with rifles let off as 'feux de joie'."

Tear Gas Thrown At A Dinner

TEAR-GAS bombs were thrown on the floor during the annual dinner of the 22nd Battalion (Westminster Dragoons), Royal Tank Corps Territorials, held recently in Elverton-street, S.W.

Some of the 250 diners jumped up with streaming eyes and made for the door. Waiters were forced back and had to retreat to the kitchen.

Twenty waitresses and cooks about to begin their meal behind a screen had to abandon it. A few of them screamed, all rushed to the door, where one fainted.

Among the speakers at the dinner were Lieut.-Colonel A. C. Barnard, Major R. W. Hells, and Major H. Norman Harding.



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Then she realised from the looks of those around her that there had been a "misunderstanding."

But she did not give herself away, and the reception committee went off with a high opinion of the equanimity of the female European.

"I WAS A DECOY"

This happened in Southern Arabia when she was travelling with a camel caravan and bodyguard of 12 native soldiers.

They persuaded her to go to a little town called Bir Ali to obtain a boat.

"What they did not mention," she said, "was that they had a long-standing war with Bir Ali. They hoped that any trouble I might get into would bring down vengeance from the R.A.F. on their enemy."

"Quite innocently I was being led as a decoy into hostile territory."

Miss Stark said that during another part of her journey when she was alone she slept one afternoon under a tree, and woke to find a tribesman sitting beside her, watching her quietly.

MERELY A ROMP AT HANLEY

STOKE-ON-TRENT'S Watch Committee were told recently that at a public dance at Hanley the following requests were made:

Ladies wearing earrings are requested to leave the floor.

Ladies not wearing corsets are requested to leave the floor.

Gentlemen are requested to turn trousers above the knee.

Ladies are requested to take suspender from gentleman partner's leg.

Ladies are requested to take gentleman partner's coat and wear it.

Ladies are requested to loosen front braces of gentleman partner's trousers, and dance holding the trousers from the back.

Gentlemen now race on hands, while feet are held by ladies.

There was a disturbance at the dance, and a man was hit in the face while attempting to protect another dancer.

The Chief Constable, Mr. F. L. Bunn, said that a constable on duty at the dance had submitted a report about the disturbance, but made no reference to other matters.

He would see the promoter of the dance and express the feelings of the Watch Committee.



James Roosevelt, eldest son of the President, is shown at his new job in Hollywood, receiving instructions from Samuel Goldwyn, Inc. Jimmy recently became vice president of Samuel Goldwyn, Inc. When asked if his salary was \$50,000, Jim said that was a high figure. He formerly received \$10,000 as his father's secretary.

Man Fell In Cruise Liner, Awarded £6,000

A 6ft. 7in. tall man who slipped and broke a leg on a cruise in the Arandora Star in May 1937, was wheeled into the King's Bench Division recently and heard the jury award him £6,000 damages against the Blue Star Line.

88-Year-Old Duke In A Film

The eighty-eight-year-old Duke of Cornwall is to take part in a film, with boys of the Royal Albert Orphanage Camberley, Surrey. The film, which will show the work of the orphanage, is being made by members of the Windermere Camera Club, of which the Duke is patron.

The Duke has been president of the orphanage for more than thirty years.



Prince Ascanio Colonna del Principi, new Italian Ambassador to the United States. His family was one of the two most powerful families in the Middle Ages and has held noble rank for 1,000 years. He succeeds Fulvio Savich in Washington.

It was said that two hours after the cruise began Mr. Reginald Alexander Beaumont Thomas, of Bushey Heath, Herts, fell in a corridor which was being washed by a steward.

His right leg was broken and he was crippled for life.

Mr. Thomas claimed that the washing of the corridor floor with what appeared to be soapy water was a "trap," of which warning should have been given.

He alleged negligence, which the company denied.

They pleaded that they were protected by a condition attached to the issue of the ticket that they would not be liable for any negligence in the management of the ship.

Mr. H. I. P. Hallett, K.C., who called no evidence for the defence, asked: What more warning could a person want than the sight of a man on his knees with a pail before him in the act of washing the floor?

The jury's award of £5,000 included £1,000 agreed special damages, but Lord Hewart said that before entering judgment he would hear legal arguments on the question whether the Blue Star Line were protected by the conditions attached to the ticket issued for the cruise. Those arguments would be heard on a day to be fixed.

JEWS MUSSOLINI WANTS TO FORGET

While Mussolini decrees measures against Jews in Italy, Jews are being used, ironically, to bolster up Italy's territorial claims in Tunis.

Mussolini says that Italy should have Tunis, largely because when France took over in 1881 there was "a vast majority of Italian residents"—11,200 Italian subjects and only 700 Frenchmen.

But more than 10,000 of the Italians were of the Jewish race.

Being Called Jews

COMPLAINING that they had been described as Jews in a letter to Germany, an agent and his son brought a libel action in the King's Bench Division recently.

Mr. Valentine Holmes, for the plaintiffs, said they were Mr. Samuel Helfert, principal in the firm of average agents carrying on business in the name of Wendt and Company, and his son, who was employed by the firm.

Wendt and Company represented all the most important German insurance and ship-owning companies.

The plaintiffs complained of a letter which the defendant, Mr. Clyde, wrote to a high official of a German shipping company, in which he stated that they were Jews.

EVEN SUSPICION

The present position in Germany was such that, even if there was suspicion that a man was a Jew, he would lose the whole of his business if it were of the kind in which the plaintiffs were engaged.

Mr. Helfert and his son were not Jews and had no Jewish blood. It was important to them in their business that that should be made clear.

Mr. Clyde, having ascertained that he was completely in error in making the statement, had taken the very proper course of writing a letter of apology to each of the plaintiffs, and to the official to whom he had sent the offending letter.

He had also agreed to pay a substantial sum as damages to the plaintiffs and to indemnify them in respect of the costs they had incurred.

SINCERE REGRET

Mr. A. J. Hodgson, for Mr. Clyde, said he was unreservedly withdrawing the statement which he unfortunately made under a complete misapprehension. He desired to express his sincere regret to the plaintiffs.

Mr. Justice Asquith allowed the record in the case to be withdrawn on the terms agreed.

"WE CAN'T TREAT JEWS HERE"

Mother Flew To London For Baby

A Jewish wife in Vienna, expecting a baby, went in vain from hospital to hospital. "We can't treat Jews here," she was told. "The Jewish Hospital in Vienna was full, and hardly any Jewish doctors were left there."

A special appeal was made to the Home Office in London, and by their permission, the expectant mother—Mrs. Francisca Neumann—wife of a Jewish cattle farmer near Vienna—was flown to Croydon.

She was taken to the Jewish Maternity Home, Underwood-street, London, E., where her baby, a boy, was born.

The secretary of the home, Mrs. L. Model, said "Mrs. Neumann was in terrible distress. Our Jewish refugee committee made a special application to the Home Office, and we were only just in time to save her."

"German doctors would not treat her. Wherever her husband went for help his way was barred."

"Now they are living in room somewhere in London."

TOWN REVIVES CURFEW

CAMERON, Mo. City officials have revived the curfew law here again. A bell at 9 p.m. each night warns children under 16 to get off the streets unless they are accompanied by their parents.

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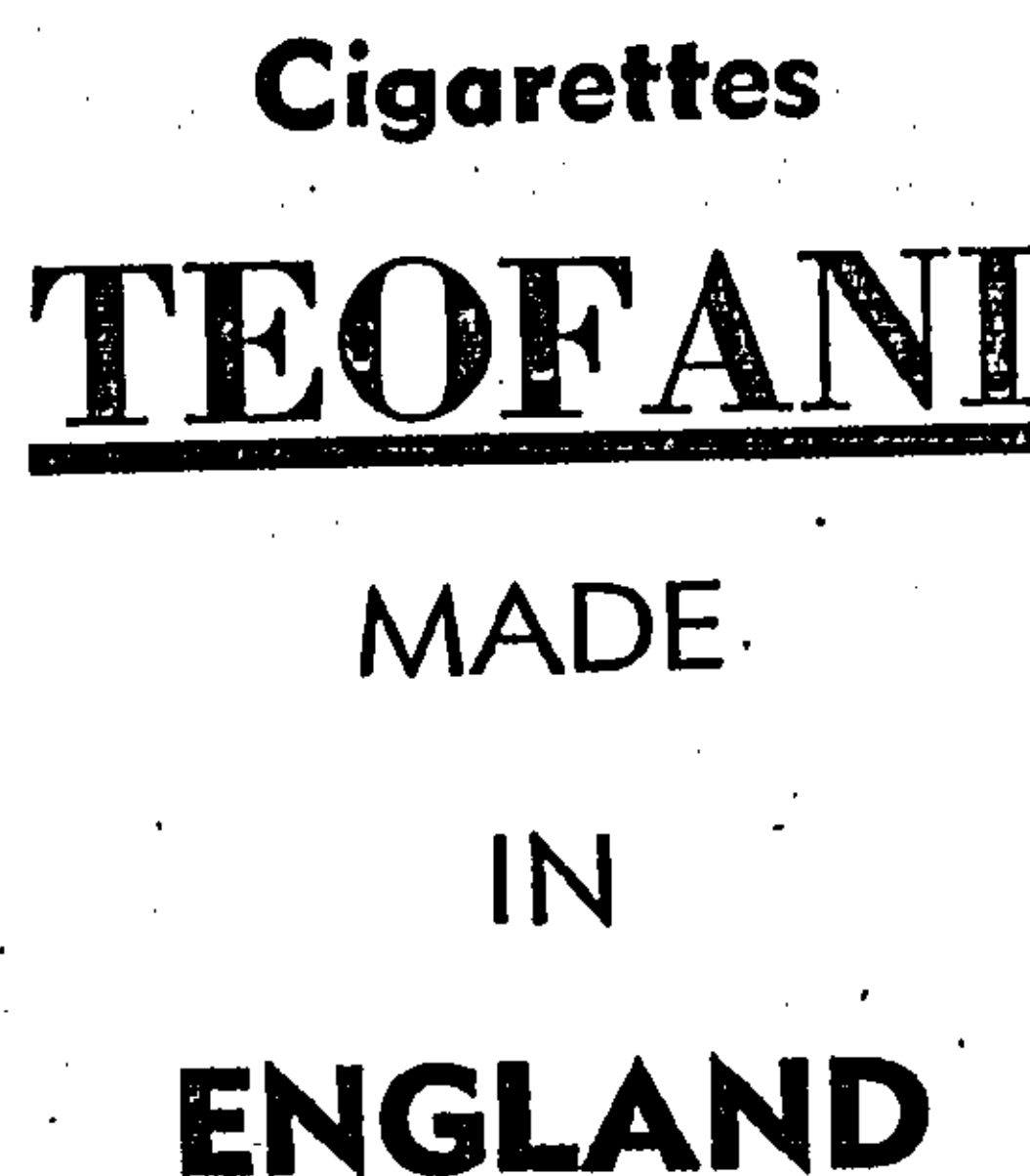


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'Merry Widow,' £345 in Debt, Sings Her Old Songs

Blonde Who Was 'Sacked'

TWO actresses stepped recently out of the grim buildings that make up London's Bankruptcy Courts—one a young blonde, her head downcast; the other, silver-haired, humming the French song from "La Veuve Joyeuse" ("The Merry Widow"), which made her the rage of Paris in 1908.

Je ne connais votre Paris Que depuis peu de jours, Et je vous trouve trop d'esprit Pour croire à votre amour.

The blonde was Gwen Wyndham, who went on the stage in 1928. She had debts of £824, assets of £27. She told the court she had had no engagements for two years, that she relied for her keep on her mother, who allowed her £4 or £5 a week.

In 1935 her mother lent her £225, which she handed to a friend in return for a half-share in the profits of the play "Lover's Leap." "I was an artist in the play," she said, "but after a few weeks I was given the sack."

She sued her friend for £91 and obtained judgment, but this was reversed on appeal. Her bankruptcy was due to inability to pay her own and her friend's costs, amounting to £824.

Her companion in misfortune was of another generation—Annette Constance Randall-Stevens, known on the stage as Constance Drever, belle of Edwardian days, now fifty-eight. Her debts were £345, her assets—nothing.

She told the court her sole income was £400 a year from a trust fund, that she would repay the debt to her bank—the sole creditor—by £200 a year, the amount of her income tax refund.

Her examination concluded, she waltzed gaily down the corridor,

Deadly Gas Halts Hiccoughs

Oakland, Cal.
Physicians at the Alameda County Hospital have successfully used carbon monoxide gas for stopping a prolonged case of hiccoughing after all other means had failed. Their theory is that the gas relaxes the diaphragm and relieves irritation.

Rare 7-Leaf Clover

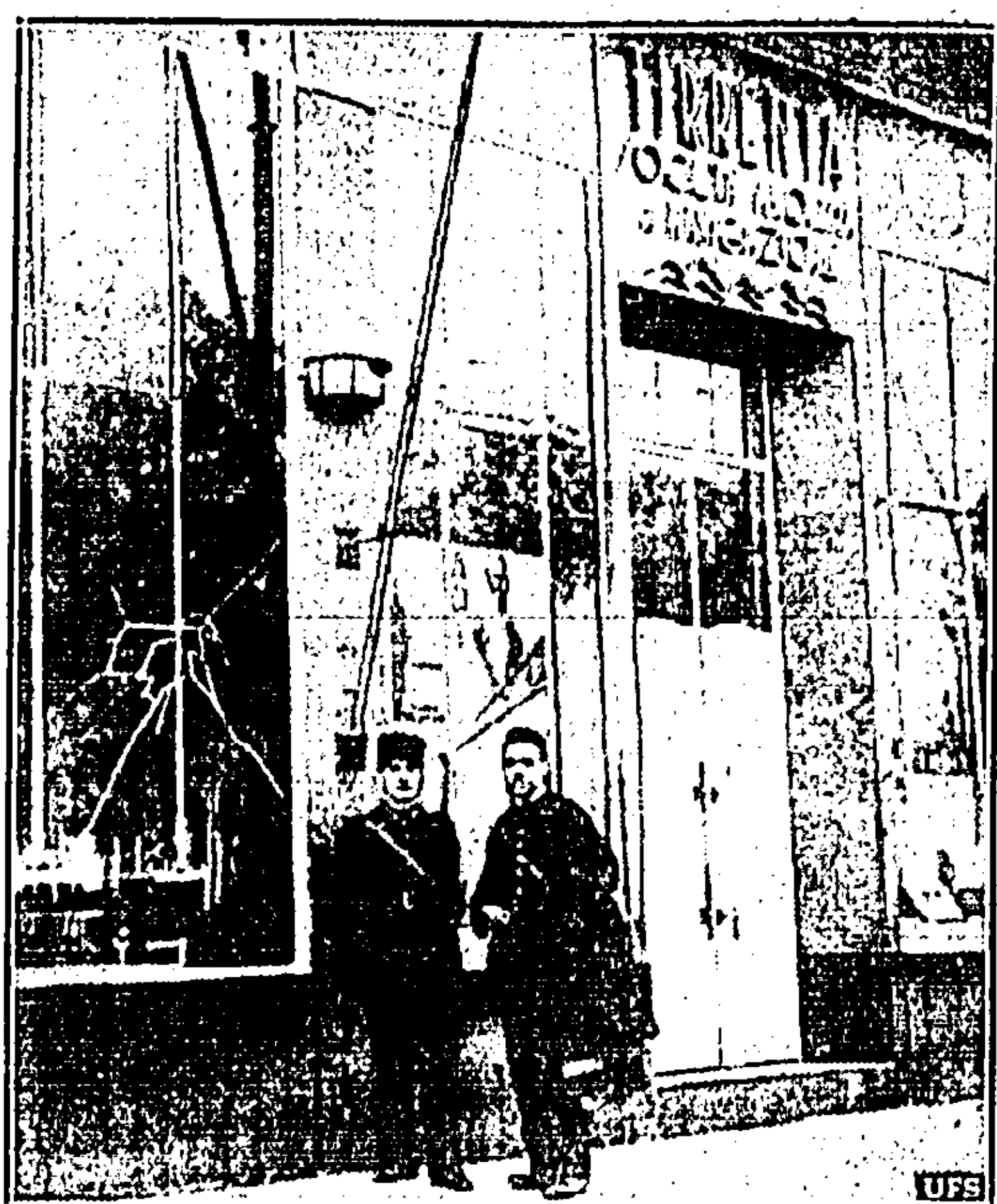
Lima, O.
The seven-leaf clover, not the four-leaf variety, is the true rarity of that plant, according to Harold Bly, New Hampshire, O. farmer. Bly said he found 46 four-leaf and 20 five-leaf clovers on his farm in a single day, but that he had seen only one seven-leaf clover in his life.

Born in India, a colonel's daughter, Constance Drever ran away from home at sixteen to go on the stage. "To think of it—in the Bankruptcy Court for a few hundred pounds! And I used to earn £200 a week when the stage was the stage."

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"But the part I created was Nadya in the French version of 'The Merry Widow' at the Apollo in Paris."

And off she stepped on her husband's arm—he, too, is a singer—humming that haunting tune from "The Merry Widow"—"Villia, O Villia, O mon cher tourment."



Riot occurring in Tunis, after the demand in the Italian Chamber of Deputies that Tunisia be ceded to Italy by France, resulted in much property damage in the north African city. Above, policemen stand guard at an Italian travel bureau where a window was smashed by rioters.

Coyote Led To Bounty

Oak, Cal.
Tony Briceno knows how to bring 'em back alive when it comes to coyotes. Unable to run one down with his car because the animal kept too close to a fence, he turned his headlights on so that it would be blinded by the glare, jumped out of the car, picked the coyote up by the tail, while keeping his foot on its head, took off his belt and fastened it around the coyote's neck and led it to the county clerk's office to collect \$2.50 bounty.

Good Samaritan Robbed

Oakland, Cal.
Mrs. Julia Donlap, partly blind, is an ardent believer that modern "good Samaritans" should go armed. She was trying to find a room for a destitute Negro woman when she was held up and robbed of \$23 by a Negro.

Wealthy Child Dies In Lift

CHRISTOPHER Coats, four-years-old member of the famous Paisley cotton family, crashed 50ft. to death down the lift shaft at a block of luxury flats in Lowndes-street, Chelsea recently.

The boy, who had always been fascinated by lifts, had just returned from an afternoon walk with his nurse, and was about to enter his parents' flat.

He had been lifted out of his perambulator when suddenly, according to a member of the staff, he darted across the hall towards the lift.

Before anyone could stop him he entered and pressed the button. The lift shot up three or four floors.

Then, in trying to get out, he apparently rolled under the lift and crashed to the bottom of the shaft.

LIFT SEALED
Dr. H. Beckett Overly, who lives opposite the flats, was called, but the boy was dead when he arrived.

The lift was closed and sealed by the police later, pending inquiries. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. S. Coats, the boy's parents, have lived at the flat for about six months.

When told of the tragedy Mrs. Coats left with a maid to stay with friends near by. Capt. Coats remained in the building. They have another child, a daughter aged 2½.

MOST-TRAVELLED BABY
When he was one year old Christopher Coats was one of the world's most-travelled babies. He went with his parents on a round-the-world tour.

His father is the son of a director of the famous Paisley sewing thread firm. His mother was Miss Bessie Horlick, daughter of the late Sir Ernest Horlick, and Lady Oppenheimer, and their wedding at Southwick Cathedral in October 1933 was one of the most spectacular of the year.

There were sixteen bridesmaids wearing gowns of white velvet and scarves in blue, green and gold. Miss Horlick designed the wedding cake herself. Before her marriage she attended L.C.C. classes for arts and crafts, studying architecture, house planning, decorating and pottery.

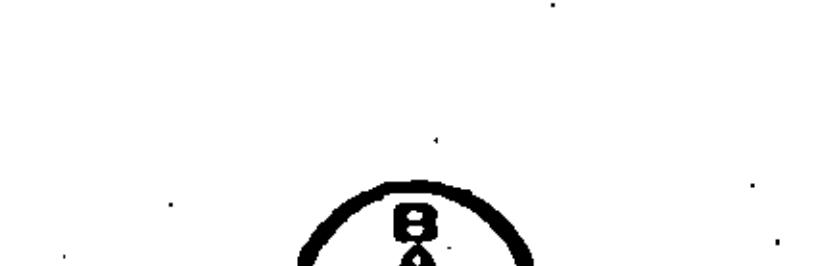
Mr. Coats' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Coats, live at Sundrum, Ayrshire.

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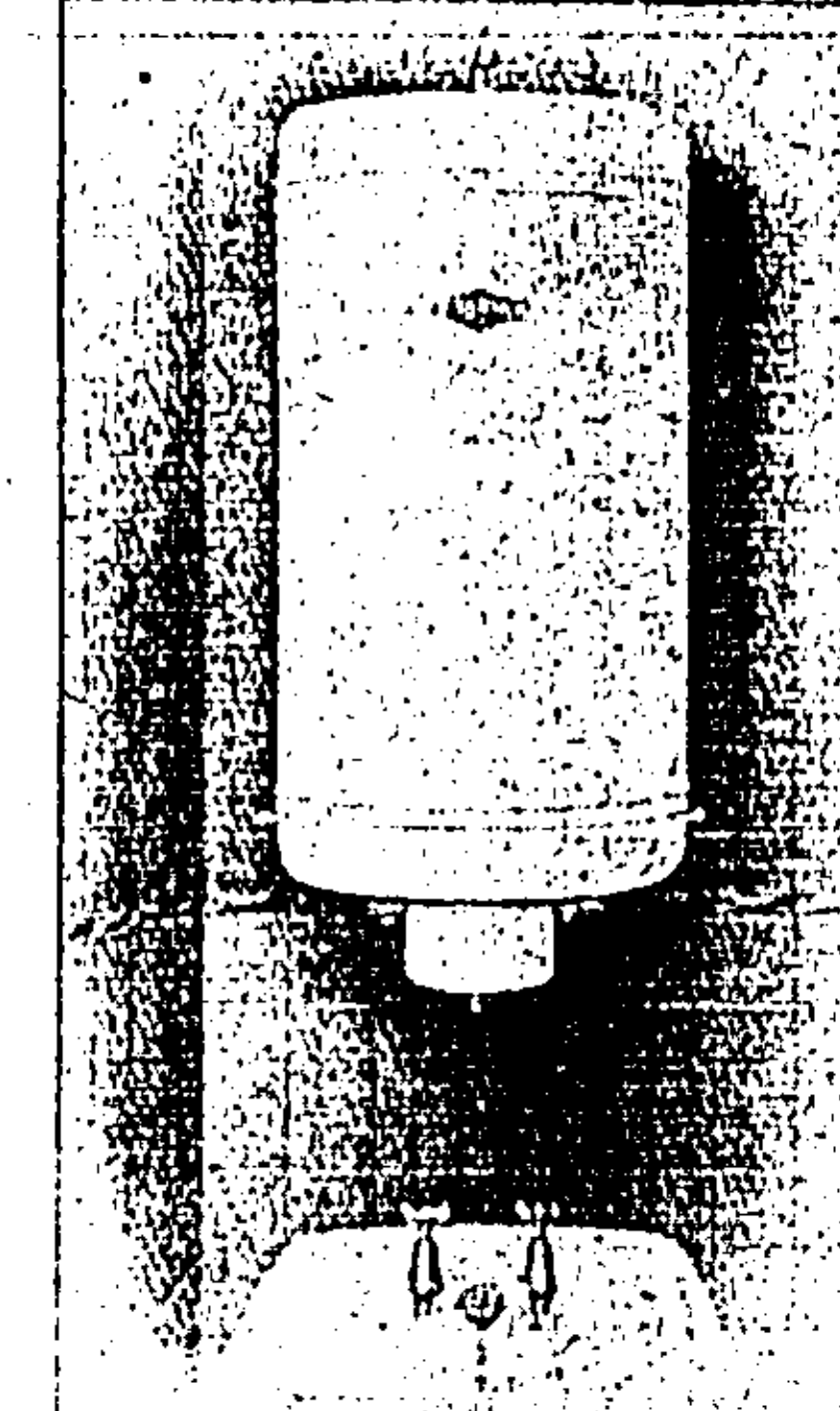
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STRANGE MID-OCEAN SHIPWRECK

Tanker Breaks In Two At Sea

LONDON, Jan. 20.

A STRANGE DRAMA was enacted in mid-Atlantic to-day, when the crew of a Norwegian oil tanker were rescued.

The tanker, which was en route to the United States, suddenly broke in two.

The tragedy occurred so suddenly that there was no time to send out distress signals by radio.

Fortunately, seven members of the crew were picked up in an open lifeboat by another ship which, luckily, happened to be in the vicinity.

They were able to tell of the disaster that had overcome their vessel.

A search was immediately instituted and, several hours later, the other thirty members of the crew were found, clinging to the half of the oil-tanker which had sunk.

It transpired that the floating half of the ship had been kept from sinking by its cargo of oil.

HITLER DROPS THE (Finance) PILOT

Dismissal Of Schacht

Creates Sensation

BERLIN, Jan. 20.

ALL BERLIN to-day is trying to discover the reason for Dr. Schacht's retirement from the Reichsbank presidency, which has been kept secret.

Herr Hitler received Dr. Schacht this morning, and thanked him for his loyalty to the Third Reich.

There had been nothing in Dr. Schacht's appearance or attitude yesterday to indicate that he anticipated to-day's events. On the other hand it is understood in well-informed circles that the reorganisation announced to-day had been subject to deliberation at a meeting of the German Cabinet at which Dr. Schacht himself was present.

It is denied on all sides that the change was the result of any difference with regard to the handling of Germany's finances and economy. Official circles insist that the real reason is the one announced, namely the desirability of unifying the financial and economic command of the nation.

EFFECT ON BOURSE

The Berlin Bourse withstood the change better than expected, and business improved towards the end, and the markets generally closed firm.

No change is anticipated in the Government's attitude to Germany's foreign indebtedness, including the Dawes and Young loans.

Regarding the talks on Jewish emigration, it was hinted in usually reliable quarters that Dr. Schacht might still proceed with the talks.

FUNK'S TASK OUTLINED

Berlin, Jan. 20.

On the occasion of a change in the Reichsbank presidency, Herr Adolf

Hitler has written to Herr Walter Funk and Dr. Hjalmar Schacht. The Fuehrer outlines Herr Funk's tasks, which are firstly, to continue to guarantee unconditional stability of wages and prices, and to secure the value of the mark.

Secondly, to open up the capital market and to put it at the disposal of private capital demands. Thirdly, to bring to a conclusion the conversion (inaugurated by the law of February 10, 1937) of the Reichsbank, at that time removed by the Dawes Pact from the Reich sovereignty, into the German Central Bank, unconditionally subject to the sovereignty of the State, the conversion of which is in accordance with National-Socialist principles.

In a letter to Dr. Schacht, Herr Hitler expresses his "sincerest and warmest thanks" for his service, and says that Dr. Schacht's name will forever be connected with the first epoch of national re-armament.

WIDESPREAD COMMENT

Meanwhile Dr. Schacht's dismissal is subject to widespread comment in foreign diplomatic quarters in London.

Commentators are inclined to link it intimately with the clash between moderate and extreme Nazi viewpoints. In some quarters, it is viewed as a move by Herr Hitler to convince the city of London that the moderates are losing ground.

A Paris message says that while official comment is not available on Dr. Schacht's departure, unofficial French circles regard Herr Funk's appointment as symptomatic of Germany's growing financial and economic difficulties.—Reuter Special.

THE GOVERNOR AND HONGKONG

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Colony's Role In The Pacific

forgotten, and that in a peaceful Pacific she may again be trading happily with the great nations which have their homes by that ocean, themselves reconciled in an honourable peace". His Excellency writes.

The fortunes of Hongkong are, of course, closely bound up with those of "her great friendly neighbour, China. His Excellency points out to "Crown Colonist" readers.

"The present most regrettable conflict in which that neighbour finds herself engaged has emphasised that relationship strongly; for while the increased volume of goods passing through the port and up the railway have brought an unwelcome increment to the Colony's revenue, the internal situation set up by the sequelae of war, such as refugees, have wrought much hardship for the residents, and especially the poorer classes in the large towns.

RENT RACKET

"Special legislation has been necessary to stay the rapid rise in rents, and the increasing cost of living is giving rise to anxiety.

"Every available corner of every tenement is packed with over-crowded humanity, and, even so, there are large numbers sleeping in the streets for lack of any shelter. Extensive and expensive measures are being taken to cope with this state of affairs before the winter sets in.

EXPANSION OF CIVIL AVIATION

"Happily, in the nature of things, abnormally disturbed conditions such as she is at the junction of many trade routes will—before long, it is hoped—once more find herself thriving through the services which in peaceful times she renders to British and foreign trade between the Far East and the rest of the world.

"As that trade ebbs and flows, so will ebb and flow the Colony's prosperity; and here it is pertinent to add that one very significant finger pointing towards Hongkong's future is her rapid growth as an airline junction.

"In spite of war conditions, the expansion of local air traffic here has been phenomenal, the volume for the first seven months of 1938 being greater than that for the whole of 1937 by 4,024 passengers, 157 tons of goods and mail, and 101 in the number of aircraft. It is not possible to forecast the extent of such growth, even in the near future, but it is certain to be on a large scale.

"As a producer of raw materials Hongkong, the total area of which, inclusive of the Leased Territories, is less than 400 square miles, cannot be expected to rank high; nevertheless she has been able to find a home for many manufacturing industries, notably shipbuilding, for which the Colony is famous throughout the East.

"For the most part, however, the local factories aim at supplying the poorer consumer in other parts of the world, and especially in the British Empire, by manufacturing for his use a supply of goods, fully qualified

under the scheme of Empire preference, which are within his reach.

NATURE'S HAND

"Another aspect on which Hongkong is making a growing claim to the outside world's regard is its attractiveness as a winter resort. There are several months in the year when it is no exaggeration to describe the climate as ideal; with that, the many comfortable hotels, the never-ending and ever-varying loveliness of its scenery, the golf links, the sailing, the riding and all other forms of sport and enjoyment which the visitor finds available, combine to offer a winter home which can have few parallels elsewhere.

ATTRACTION TO TOURISTS

"Hongkong's economic history has been one of ups and downs, owing to causes outside the Colony's control. As an entrepot of trade she is dependent on world conditions, and she is subject occasionally to Nature's destroying hand.

"Thus, the two typhoons of 1930 and 1937 cost the Government alone probably a million and a half dollars, while the damage to private property and shipping probably greatly exceeded these figures; and a series of thunder-storms on July 19, 1926, produced 21 in. of rain in 24 hours, entailing a million dollars worth of repair.

"But despite these heavy and sometimes sustained blows of fortune, many admirable and costly public works have been carried through in the past or are now in process; and the plans for the next few years contemplate many large-scale improvements and new buildings, funds for which it is hoped will be found from revenue.

OVERCROWDING EVIL

"One much-needed measure may not be so easily financed, however. As is to be expected in a seaport—where, on the one hand, building land is very scarce, being principally the result of reclamation, and, on the other, there has been swift population-growth in days when such questions had little or no attention—very serious overcrowding conditions exist. The solution of this gigantic problem is under close examination at the present time.

"In other parts of the administrative field Government is contemplating advanced a new sub-department is about to be set up to deal with the problems of labour and the promotion of the welfare of manual workers, in the light of advanced modern practice; and the two great social services, education and health, are under review with a view to their expansion.

"A considerable reorganisation of the University has just been carried through. The measures taken with the object of protecting certain classes of women and girls have already made rapid progress, with active assistance of the leaders of the Chinese population.

T. B. Becomes Notifiable Disease

TUBERCULOSIS becomes a notifiable disease in Hongkong as a result of an amendment to the Quarantine and Prevention of Disease Ordinance, states the Government "Gazette" this morning.

It is explained that under the amendment tuberculosis is to be included within the expression "infectious disease" in the Ordinance, and the effect of this notification is to make tuberculosis a notifiable disease.

There are now 16 notifiable diseases in Hongkong, tuberculosis being added to the following existing list: plague, cholera, small-pox, diphtheria, scarlet fever, enteric fever, relapsing fever, paratyphoid fever, measles, chicken-pox, meningitis, typhus, dysentery, puerperal fever, and rabies, both human and animal.

JAPAN'S FOREIGN POLICY—Continued From Page 1

Restrictions In China If Japan Wins War

creasingly complex owing to the China affair, I am glad to have this opportunity of speaking on our foreign policy and our foreign problems in general.

"As regards the present China affair, the basic policy and resolute aim of the Japanese Government have been set forth in their statement of November 3 last year.

"What Japan desires is the creation of a new order which is to secure the permanent peace of East Asia, that is to say, the construction of a new East Asia upon an ethical foundation wherein Japan, Manchukuo and China, while each fully preserving her independence and individuality will stand united and linked together for active collaboration and mutual aid along all lines of political, economic and cultural activities.

NECESSARY FOR EXISTENCE

"It is the firm conviction of the Japanese Government that such a new order is not only absolutely necessary for the existence and healthy development of Japan, Manchukuo and China, but is also conducive to the real peace and well-being of the whole world.

"Under the date of December 22, last year, the Japanese Government issued another statement declaring their intention of joining hands with far-sighted Chinese aspirations, and to work together for the common purpose of constructing a new East Asian order and for the realization of mutual practice of neighbourly amity, economic co-operation and joint defence against Communism.

"It was also announced that what Japan asks of China is neither territory nor an indemnity for the cost of military operations, and further, that not only will Japan respect the sovereignty of China but she is even prepared to give practical consideration to the abolition of extraterritoriality and the rendition of foreign concessions and settlements, a matter which is obviously required for China's complete independence.

"In all these declarations are enunciated the ethically-conceived national policy of Japan.

"MISUNDERSTANDINGS

"Despite repeated explanations given by the Japanese Government, there persist unfortunately misunderstandings in certain quarters abroad ascribing to Japan the intention to close the doors in China.

"If we are to embark on the creation of a new order in East Asia through mutual assistance and solidarity between Japan, Manchukuo and China, it will of course be necessary to enforce certain restrictions and regulations in spheres having a vital bearing upon the national defence and economic independence of the three countries.

"But these measures will be confined to minimum requirements, being directed toward no other purpose than that of enabling East Asia to function well as a link in the chain of world economy and to contribute towards the general prosperity of mankind.

"Consequently there will be left open vast fields in which not only will the rights and interests of other countries as well as the commercial and other peaceful enterprises of their nationals remain absolutely unaffected, but in which foreign participation will be really welcome, so that it is confidently expected that the economic activities of other Powers will be more than ever stimulated under the new order.

REMOVE TRADE BARRIERS

"The Japanese Government, believing the removal of trade barriers of various kinds and the promotion of economic co-operation among the nations to be the best means of advancing happiness and prosperity, have always striven towards the realisation of those ends.

"Their future policy in this regard will sustain no change. In fact, it is in accordance with this very policy that the Japanese Government plan

REICH TO BUILD NEW SUB. FLEET

LONDON, Jan. 20.

BRITAIN HAS RECEIVED the German note confirming the intention to achieve parity with the Empire's submarine tonnage, and also confirming Germany's intention to build five 10,000 ton cruisers, armed with eight-inch guns.

The note is the result of the recent Anglo-German naval conversations in Berlin, after Germany's announcement of her intention to invoke the right to increase her tonnages.

The British Empire now has about 70,000 tons of submarines built, or in the process of being built, and Germany has about 30,000 tons. Therefore Germany, by achieving parity, will more than double her present fleet of submarines.

Naval experts estimate the Germany, when she achieves parity with Britain, will have as many as 100 submarines. Germany has just decided to put eight-inch guns on the

10,000 ton cruiser Seydlitz which is under construction. Two other 10,000 ton cruisers with eight-inch guns have already been built, and Germany intends to build two more cruisers of the same category.—United Press.

WOMEN AS WELL AS MEN VOLUNTEER FOR WAR-TIME WORK

(Continued From Page 1.)

would help the inmates of any house which may suffer.

In times of peace, it will be the duty of Warden's to get to know the inhabitants of their districts and to give advice to every household in that district regarding the methods which should be adopted in making buildings gas-proof and splinter-proof.

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Air Raid sub-committees will be co-ordinated with the police and sanitary inspectors, but A.R.P. Warden's will work exclusively in their own districts.

A.R.P. Posts are even being set up in Hongkong harbour, and every ship which makes regular calls at the Colony is advised how to use itself a self-contained A.R.P. unit.

In times of emergency, Masters of such ships would appoint Warden's whose duties will be exactly the same as those of Warden's ashore.

"Twenty-two A.R.P. sub-committees have already been formed in Hongkong, and recruits are steadily coming forward to be trained as A.R.P. Warden's." Wing Commander Steele-Perkins told the "Telegraph".

INSTRUCTORS READY

"I am glad to be able to say that there are now eight instructors fully qualified to teach Warden's their duties."

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"I feel sure that we will be able to get the 6,000 men and women required for this service when the sub-committees start their drives for recruits within their own districts."

EXAMINATION ARRANGED FOR WARDENS

The following examinations will be held at the Cathedral Hall at 10 a.m. on Monday, January 23, and on Monday, January 30, at 5.30 p.m. at the Helena May Institute: Anti-Gas V. A. Course, and St. John's Ambulance Brigade (Grade I Instruction).

Candidates who take and pass the first course may either join St. John's Ambulance Brigade or become Auxiliary members of the Brigade, and in the latter course, successful candidates would be earmarked for A.R.P. duties with the units in time of emergency.

The second course entitles a successful candidate to give anti-gas lectures to the general public, i.e. lectures known as the A.R.P. Short and V. A. courses (A.R.P. Memorandum No. 0).

A full A. R. P. Warden's course will commence on January 27 at 10 a.m., and candidates passing this examination will be classified as Air Raid Warden's: distinctions if they obtain 75 per cent. marks and as Air Raid Warden's with 60 per cent.

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when it comes to a question of protecting her legitimate vested rights and interests.

"The causes of present international anxiety and unrest are certainly many and complex. But there is no doubt the principal cause is essentially in efforts to maintain a status quo which is actually not in accordance with just, and in attempts made from selfish motives to stifle the development and progress of newly-risen Powers.

"The establishment of a new East Asian order as proposed by Japan, based on sound ethical principles and in conformity with international justice will, I am convinced, serve to promote friendship between the countries of East Asia and other Powers by putting their relations on a truly equal footing, and it will thus serve to bring real peace to the world.

"Since there are still some who entertain misapprehensions and doubts in this regard, it is incumbent upon us all firmly to resolve to walk fearlessly along the path of righteousness in the execution of our national policy."—Domei.

"While it is expected that the Soviet Government will negotiate with sincerity and that ultimately a satisfactory agreement will be arrived at, Japan is of course prepared to take appropriate steps

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12.00-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Mozart—Concerto in C Minor, K. 491.

Edwin Fischer (Piano) and The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Lawrence Collingwood.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano.

Goose (film 'Love On The Run'); I'm Delighted To See You Again (Blackburn); It's A Long, Long Way To Your Heart (Brandt); Once In A While (Edwards).

1.15 Vivian Ellis (Piano) and Al Hollington (Organ).

"Floodlight"—Piano Medley (Beethoven); "The Magic Flute"—Piano Medley (Mozart).

1.20 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Mary Ellis (Soprano) and the London Palladium Orchestra.

Selection Of Operatic Gems (arr. Forbes); The London Palladium Orchestra conducted by William E. Pethers.

1.45 When The Gipsy Played ("Gipsy Song"—Novello); Mary Ellis (Soprano) accom. by the Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra.

1.50 The Heart (Ketebeby); The Sacred Hour (Ketebeby); The London Palladium Orchestra with Mlle. Quartet.

1.55 Fold Your Wings ("Gipsy Song"—Novello); Mary Ellis and Trevor Jones (Duet) accom. by the Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra.

2.00 Song (A Selection of Historical Song Successes); The London Palladium Orchestra conducted by Richard Crean.

2.15 Close Down.

8.00 Mozart—Symphony No. 41 in C Major "Jupiter".

The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Adrian Boult.

Commentary on Rugby Tie from London

"JUPITER" SYMPHONY

8.28 Excerpts from Mozart's Opera.

"Don Giovanni"—Overture.... State Orchestra, Berlin, cond. by Dr. Leo Blech; "Don Giovanni"—To My Love, oh hasten!... Luigi Fort (Tenor) with Orchestra; "The Magic Flute"—Ah! I Know It... Lily Pons (Soprano) with Orchestra cond. by John Barbirolli; "The Marriage of Figaro"—I'll Have Vengeance... A. Kipnis (Bass) and E. Ruzicka (Mezzo-Soprano) and Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Erich Grubmann; "The Magic Flute"—Within these sacred halls... Alex. and Kipnis (Bass) and Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Clemens Schmalstieg; "Idomeneo"—Santus Winde, folgt dem Turner... V. Schwarz (Soprano) with Orchestra.

8.45 London Relay—"Steamboat".

A programme of variety, music and drama from our floating playhouse, reviving for you some of the glories of the old showboat days. The cast will include: Dick Francis as The Showman; Lorna Stacey; Brian Lawrence; Jack Train; and The Three In Harmony; The Orchestra led by Josef Marala. Conducted by Jack Clarke. The programme devised by William MacLurg.

8.50 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.32 Hildegard, John Henry and Billy Cotton's Band.

Fifty Million Robins Can't Be Wrong—Fox-Trot... Billy Cotton and His Band with Vocal Chorus; Listen To The German Band (Gordon and Revel); I Believe In Miracles (Wendling and Meyer)... Hildegard (Vocal) with Orchestra; You Started Me Dreaming—Fox-Trot; The Glory Of Love—Fox-Trot... Billy Cotton and His Band with Vocal Chorus; John Henry's Ghost (Henry)... John Henry assisted by Gladys Horridge; The Moon Got In My Eyes (Burke and Johnston)... Hildegard (Vocal) with Orchestra; Keep A Twinkle In Your Eye—Fox-Trot... Billy Cotton and His Band with Vocal Chorus.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Albert Sandler and His Orchestra and Jessie Matthews.

Soliloquy (Murray); Gipsy Melody (Nelson and Knight)... Albert

Sandler and His Orchestra; It's Love Again (from the film); Tony's In Town (film 'It's love again')... Jessie Matthews (Vocal) with Orchestra; The Fairies Gavotte (Kohn); Rosa Mia (Fisher and Potter).... Albert Sandler and His Orchestra; Everything's In Rhythm With My Heart (from 'First a Girl'); The Little Silkworm (from 'First a Girl')... Jessie Matthews (Vocal) with Orchestra; For Love Of You (film); Prelude (Haydn Wood)... Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.

8.35 Anton and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra.

"Follow The Fleet"—Selection (Irving Berlin); Ray Noble Medley... with Reginald Foote (the Organ); Medley Of Piano-Dancing; The God Diggers Of 1937—Selection (Arlen and Young); "A Day At The Races"—Selection (Kohn, Kapr and Jermann)... with Al Hollington at the Organ.

8.50 London Relay—"London Log".

9.00 An English and Welsh Programme.

Song of The Flood (H. Rathlog and F. E. H. Jones); Olwen (C. Wynn); William Edwards (Tenor) with Harp Accom. by Telyfôr, Gwynedd (Sung in Welsh); The Lark—Selection... The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Crean; O Paeleul England ("Merrie England"—German)... E. A. Ackland (Contralto) with Orchestra; "The Rose" (Selection of English Melodies—arr. Myddelton)... The London Palladium Orchestra conducted by Richard Crean; Rose Of England ("Crest of the Wave"—Novello)... Edgar Elmes (Baritone) accom. by Male Chorus and The Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra cond. by Charles Prentice.

9.30 London Relay—"The News".

9.50 Relay of The Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.

(a) Silencio; (b) Maruja; (c) Lullaby; (d) Zapatera.

10.05 Record: Musical Comedy Medley... Sydney Gusford at the Organ.

10.10 (a) Carole-Ly; (b) Lullaby In Rhythm; (c) Make a Wish (d) Swing Low Sweet Chariot.

10.20 London Relay—"England v. Wales".

A commentary on the International Rugby Union Football Match from Twickenham.

12.00 Midnight Close down.

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1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Webster Booth (Tenor) and Light Symphony Orchestra.

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1.10 Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by The Composer.

1.20 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Verdi's "Aida" Act 1.

G. Aranel - Lombardi; Maria Caniana; Aida; Lilla; Tracerelli; S. Baccani; G. Rossi and Full Chorus of La Scala, Milan, with The Milan Symphony Orchestra.

2.30 Close down.

7.00 Orchestra.

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7.05 London Relay—Royal Palace.

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7.15 Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

Ballad Evotion (Lullaby); You Shall Be The King Of My Heart (S.E.).

7.25 Songs by John McCormack (Tenor).

Shannon River (Evan-Morgan); I Met An Angel (Sylvie-Morgan); Gentle With The Light Brown Hair (Foster)... with Piano accom. by Edwin Schneider.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

8.03 Liszt—Concerto No. 2 In A Major.

Egon Petri (Piano) and the London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Leopold Howard.

8.25 Three of Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsodies.

Hungarian Rhapsody No. 1 In F... London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates; Hungarian Rhapsody No. 10... Piano Solo by Anla Dorfmann; Hungarian Rhapsody No. 12... Sir Hamilton Harty cond. the Hall's Orchestra.

8.50 Songs by Miliza Korjus (Soprano).

Invitation to the Dance (Weber); The Little Ring (from The Maiden's Wish—Chopin)... with the Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Franz Schenbaumfeld.

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9.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

9.40 Beethoven—Symphony No. 2 In D Major, Op. 36.

Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Symphony Orchestra.

10.12 G. D. Cunningham at the Organ.

Toccata (from 'Equilises Byzantines'—Muller); Larchetto (Wesley); 10.20 Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue.

10.30 Close down.

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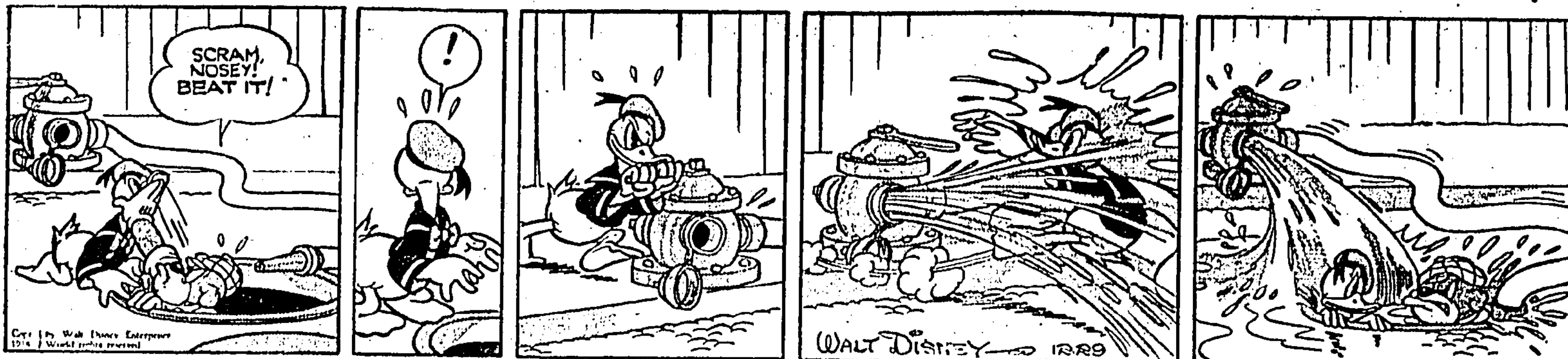
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'PERJURY' COMMENT BY JUDGE

"I HAVE not the slightest doubt that defendant has committed perjury in this box. I think it has been a disgraceful defence."

This comment was made by Judge Dumas after hearing at Westminster County Court recently a claim by Mr. Douglas Craig Croom Johnson, inventor, of Coppin's Cottage, Coppin Lane, Iver, Bucks.

Trolleys As Beds For Christmas Babies

LONDON.
Beds were improvised on hospital trolleys for some of the women who arrived at Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital N.W. on Christmas Eve. Twelve babies were born on Christmas Day. It was the biggest Christmas rush they had ever had, the matron said. The less urgent cases were put on the trolleys but were transferred to beds as soon as possible. 60 babies were born between Thursday night and Christmas.

Mr. Croom Johnson sued Mr. Albert Clement Herbert Burchard, of St. James's Street, W., for £200, 13s. 4d. salary alleged to be due under an agreement.

Judge Dumas entered judgment, with costs, for Mr. Croom Johnson for the amount claimed.

He did not find it possible, he said, to reconcile the evidence of the two parties.

TENT FOR DOGS

During the hearing reference was made to gas-proof tents for dogs, and it was stated that Mr. Croom Johnson's principal invention was his gas regenerator. Turning the handle of the device, it was claimed, purified the air in a room.

Mr. Caporn, for Mr. Croom Johnson, said that his client entered into an agreement with Mr. Burchard by which he was to give his consultative services and advice particularly in the matters of gas respirators and gas-proof shelters. Under the agreement he was to be paid £200 a year. Mr. Burchard, in evidence, said that he was interested in Mr. Croom Johnson's inventions with the idea of improving the service of his company. Judge Dumas: Was anything said at the interviews about alleged orders from the B.B.C.?—Yes.

Mr. Croom Johnson denied that he made representations as to orders obtained from the B.B.C. and the Air Ministry.

2 Lent Courts This Year

The King and Queen will hold two Courts at Buckingham Palace during Lent this year before they leave for their tour of Canada and the United States.

Two more Courts will be held after their return.

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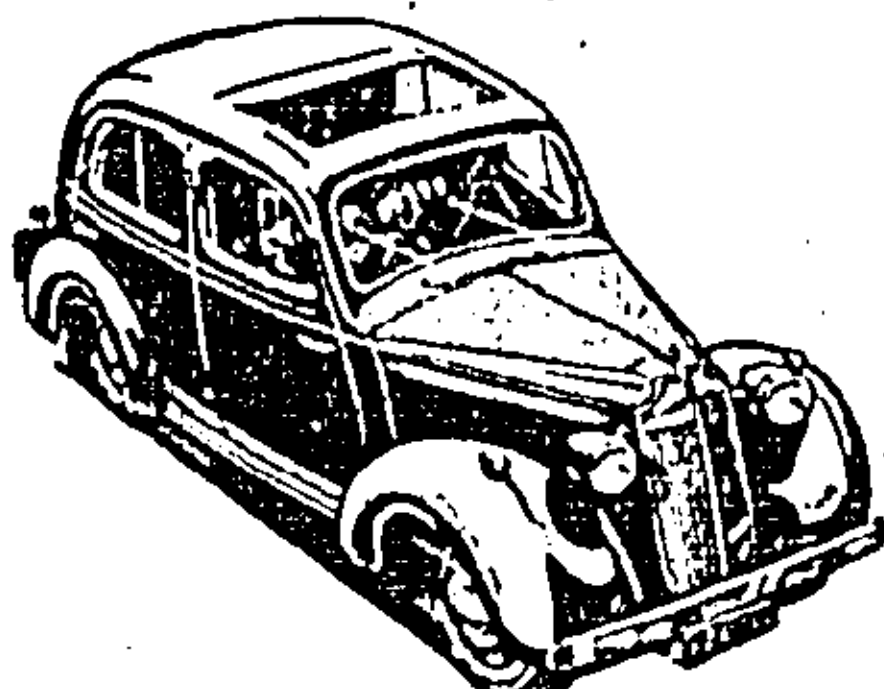
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Japan In China

THE Kokumin Domei, a Japanese minority party of strong nationalistic tendencies, warns the Tokyo Government that Britain may encroach on Japan's preserves in China.

But what are the facts? On the lowest estimate, Britain has something like £230,000,000 invested in China, including the investment of British nationals residing in Hongkong and other parts of the East. Other estimates put the total as high as £300,000,000. Britain's stake, indeed, exceeds that of Japan and all other countries together. China's railways, water-borne transport, public utility industries, textile trades, and many more, have been developed by British capital, and still more by British enterprise.

Japan has made no secret that the hegemony she seeks over China is economic as well as political. Wherever her armies have gone, the open door has immediately been closed and padlocked. Within the first few months of hostilities the operations of British owned companies in Shanghai were restricted by 50 to 80 per cent. The Yangtze, the most important artery of Chinese communications, has been progressively closed to British traders, as the Japanese forces have advanced. The Pearl River, which is open to Japanese shipping on regular service to Macao and Formosa, is closed to British ships from this colony. The Customs receipts in occupied areas are being held by the Japanese, and for months no revenue has reached the bondholders. With every new town and city occupied, the same story of hamstringing British trade is told.

There should be only one end to all this. Japan's markets are her Achilles Heel. Outside the so-called "yen bloc" countries, the British Empire takes 40 per cent. of Japan's exports. Four democracies—Great Britain, the United States, France and Holland—with their respective Empires, absorb over 80 per cent. of her exports and supply 80 per cent. of her total imports. Germany and Italy, incidentally, are responsible for no more than two and ten per cent. respectively.

Why, it may be asked, should Great Britain—or the other democracies, for that matter—be particularly anxious to supply Japan with materials essential to a campaign whose object is inimical to their own trade interests in China? And if Great Britain, with her present unfavourable trade balance, decides to reduce the total of her imports from Japan, what can prevent her from carrying out her determination?

SEEDS OF TO-MORROW

PERHAPS THE pantomime season was an appropriate one for my visit, for the scene has indeed changed.

Once the immaculate, white-clad disciple of Aesculapius and the capable and comely nursing-sister maintained health and well-being on a speckless, shaven lawn, charmingly edged by gracious bamboo and the flaunting, shameless, scarlet hibiscus.

Not the slightest vestige of that verdant turf remains; the whole is now one desolate plain of gritty dust, which every errant whiff of breeze sends stinging into eye and nostril.

The sigh of regret for yet another beauty passed away was quickly stifled by the remembrance of that altruistic slogan "the greatest good for the greatest number."

Where once that cherished lawn rendered perhaps two hours pleasure daily to, let us say, a half-score people, now the dusty, gritty eyesore vouchsafes sane bodily and mental recreation to unending bands of Chinese refugee children of all ages from, as far as I can discover, dawn to dark.

Here the young things—chased out of humble (though well-loved) home, village and country by a pitiless, barbarous and inhuman foe—find blessed peace and security.

HAVING IN MIND the all but incredible powers of recuperation of the Chinese race, one scarcely marvels at the rapidity with which these children recover from terror, hunger, homelessness, the absence of all adult relatives and the anxiety inseparable therefrom, and transportation under duress to an entirely unfamiliar mis-scene.

Few adults were to be seen in the corridors and courtyards of the old Government Civil Hospital, beyond the blue-clad, efficient and courteous overseers.

My last visit coincided with moving day there, and the aspect of the old building seemed at first sight, and not unnaturally, somewhat depressing. But contact with the cheery and contented little "movees" quickly dispelled any such feeling, and the "trek" of this vast family seemed to be in very capable hands.

None of the shouting and yelling, the pushing and shoving, the tearing anxiety and near-panic so often the concomitant of a Chinese crowd bent on a



common purpose. In its place, be securely fastened to the per- order, method, comparative quiet son; then the excited little peo- and confidence. Worldly goods ple were quickly, but without un- were neatly bundled and stoutly were tucked into the waiting lorries, together

by
N. B. WHITESTONE

At the exit, which permitted with their bundles—and so to the passing of but one individual Kam Tin! A tour of the dormitories at a time, each child (or the adult if in charge) was given a found all but one ready for the corresponding ticket number, to adventure, though here and

T. PAUL GREGORY, "Telegraph's" expert on Old China,
Writes Of

The TEMPLE OF INNER REALITIES

CLAIRVOYANCE—the "clear sight" of the mesmeric trance—has always been regarded as a subject of more than passing interest. However novel it may appear to be in this modern age, it is not new to the world; for the philosophers and teachers of antiquity were apparently acquainted with it, and had recourse to it, when they wished to enter the so-called "Temple of Inner Realities." They were aware that by its application, "the Internal became, without the use of the outer senses, more perceptible than the External is to us by the ordinary mode of objective perception."

Like the other nations with an age-old history, the Chinese from their earliest period have been familiar with the general principles of not only clairvoyance in its broadest sense, but also hypnotism as well.

In fact, these phenomena are commonly met with in China to this day among the superstitious practices of the host of *naam-mo-sin-shang*, or Taoist necromancers, who have intimately mingled their knowledge of the subject with that of the observances of religion, and have more or less employed it with the object of impressing the masses.

THE Chinese while they have never made a scientific study of the complicated phenomena of mesmerism, have recognised nevertheless several degrees of this extraordinary state, which they describe as "receding from *Sha-p'oh*—the sensuous world of the living—and entering into *rapport* or relation with objects in universal nature."

Clairvoyance, they affirm, is practically always induced by various agents and means, and it is interesting to consider when and how such a psychical or spiritual state is brought about.

THE inhabitants of the district of Tung-kwoon in the province of Kwangtung are popularly reputed to be the most

there a bed mat lay still unclaimed, and a few disconsolate-looking cooking utensils awaited collection.

The children almost without exception showed neither fear nor anxiety, though here and there a tiny fellow hid in an elder's skirts at my approach.

All seemed well-nourished, sufficiently clad and eager and willing for a continuance of life's hard adventures.

But one note of doubt was raised, and that by the sole male adult refugee; he seemed somewhat perturbed at what might await him and his at Kam Tin. I left him, I hope, reassured and newly confident for the immediate future.

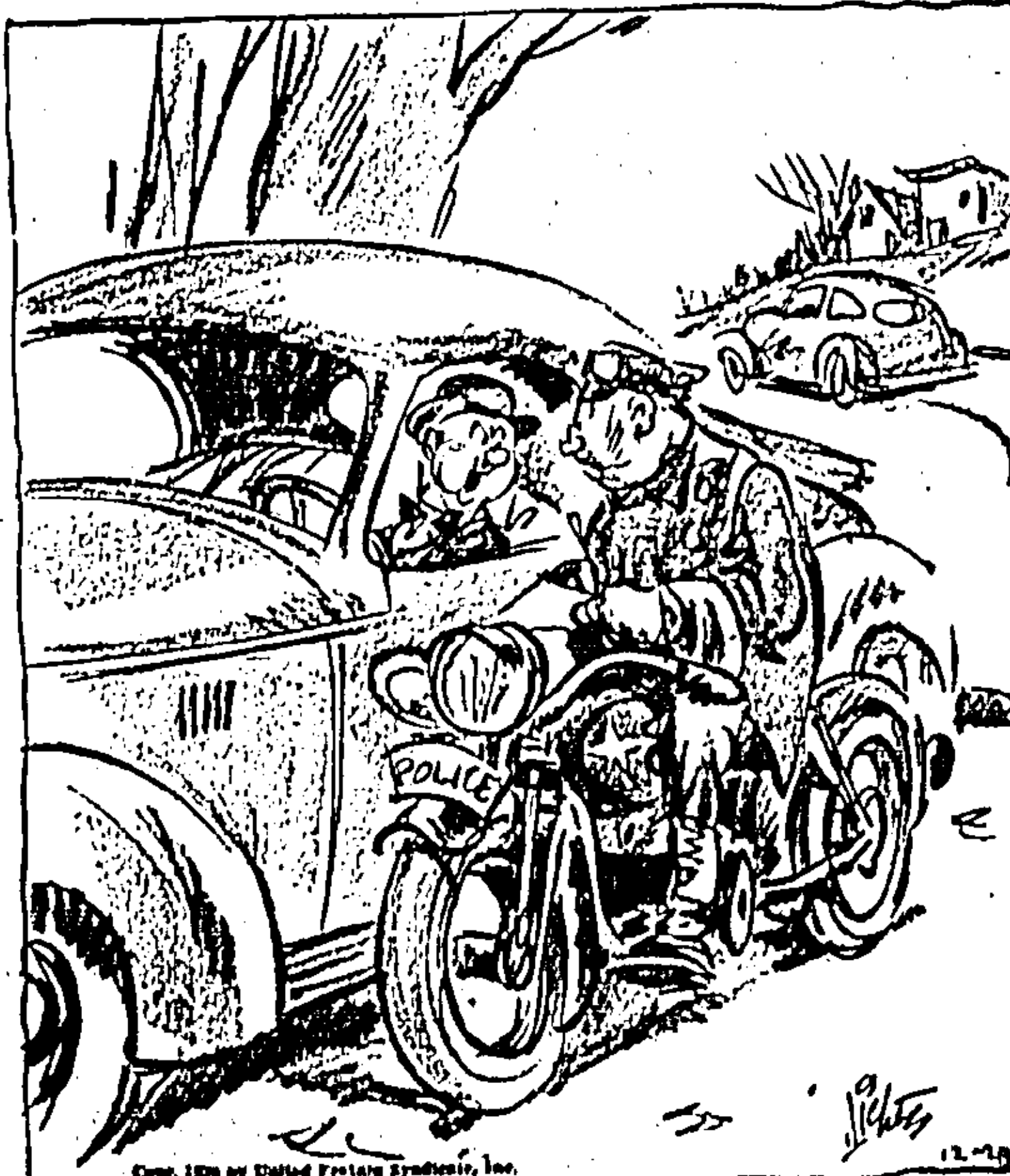
The only sleeper was a tiny baby, swathed and swaddled in an infinity of bundling, who lay on his (or her) mat stertorously and with effort breathing. It appeared that the mite had relatives in the place and that the pitiful little human derelict would be collected later on. All the same, he made a pathetic picture of forlorn solitariness in that scene of bustle and cheerful activity.

MEANDERING HOMEWARD through courtyards and grounds of the old Hospital, which has seen and relieved so many and varied a human woe, I pondered upon the possible future of that tiny speck of humanity.

What will he become, and how will he end the pilgrimage commenced under such inauspicious circumstances?

These young ones have started thus early—even for the Chinese race—on that hard and often bitter path of life which is the normal and accepted lot of the peasant Sons of Han.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



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TENNIS CHAMPIONS. Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Chiu, the Hongkong Ladies Tennis Double Champions, receiving awards from Mrs. A. E. Grasett, wife of the General Officer Commanding Troops in China.—*News photo.*



HAPPY GATHERING. The above photograph was taken in the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel recently during a Ladies' Night dance held by Cathay Lodge, No. 4373 E.C.—*King's Studio.*



RUNNER-UP. Mrs. A. E. Grasett presenting a cup to Miss Madge Griffiths, runner-up in the Ladies Single Championship of the Colony.—*Newsphoto.*



PRESENTATION OF MEDALS. Top Photo: H.E. the Governor, Lt. Col. H. B. Rose, Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Capt. H. S. Batty-Smith and Lt. H. A. de B. Botelho arrive at Volunteer Headquarters for the recent presentation of medals. Centre: H.E. the Governor addressing the H.K. Volunteer Defence Corps. Lower Photo: H.E. the Governor presenting a medal to CQMS H. L. Lockhart.—*King's Studio.*



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OF COURSE YOU KNOW, BUT ARE YOU SURE?

Score two points for each correct answer and aim at the forties. It takes a 30 total to keep you out of the dunce's cap.

1.—Sapphires are found mainly in jewellery shops. Apart from the price you can tell them by their colour, which is:—

White; pink; scarlet; black; blue; green.

2.—There are two Houses—Upper and Lower—in the Parliaments of all States of Australia except one—and that one State is:—

New South Wales; South Australia; Tasmania; West Australia; Queensland; Victoria.

3.—A frog when it is very young is called nothing more or less than a:—

Smelter; anchovy; froglet; toad; tadpole; calf; pup; froggie; minnow; triton.

4.—As he was mentioned in the papers recently as a proud papa you should remember that the King of Egypt's name is:—

Kamal Ataturk; Fund; Farida; Farina; Farouk; Pharaoh.

5.—And mention of Kamal Ataturk should remind you that the most recent thing that has happened to him is that he:—

Has been elected president of Turkey; has been chairman of the League of Nations; has signed a pact with Britain; has died; has married.

6.—Honolulu, glamour spot of beach pyjamas and honeymoons, is in the group of islands known as the:—

East Indies; West Indies; Malay Archipelago; Canary; Sandwich.

7.—Whether you are red, white or blue or just plain simple it is time you knew the meaning of the word Soviet is merely a:—

Bombthrower; bolshevik; country; court of law; communist; council; revolution.

8.—Maybe you didn't do history at school, but one of the first things they drummed into me was that India was added to Britain's possessions in the reign of:—

Anne; George I; George II; George III; George IV; George V.

9.—Quai d'Orsay is often mentioned in the cables, so don't admit you skim over it without knowing it is:—

A French port; Paris art centre; French Parliament; President's residence; French Foreign Office; Paris opera house.

10.—The Mikado is such a well-known opera that I don't expect a single one of you will not know that the story for it was written by:—

Goethe; Wagner; Sullivan; Friml; Berlin; Gilbert; Schubert.

11.—A rapid mental calculation will show you that New Year's Day holiday next year will be celebrated on a:—

Saturday; Sunday; Monday; Tuesday; Thursday; Friday.

12.—As an all-rounder the potato is in the championship class. You can bake it, boil it, but fish with it, and use it to make:—

Cider; rum; brandy; beer; whisky; cough mixture; sherry.

13.—Take all the letters of the alphabet (but be sure and put them back again) and subtract all the consonants and you will find that the number of letters left is:—

10; 18; 5; 6; 20; 22; 21.

14.—Grapnel is a simple enough word—simple enough to spell, anyway. But ah!—do you know that grapnel is a:—

Tropical fruit; garment; Indian court official; explosive shell; anchor; miser.

15.—If you've been thinking the others have been hard you'll smirk at this easy one—what was the first American talkie film and when was it produced?

16.—Knowing how good you all are at geometry, I'm just throwing two points at you by asking you to tell me that the segment of a circle is:—

The distance round it; the width; half the width; the area; part between arc and chord; the centre.

17.—The other day down the street—no, I believe it was up the street—I saw a man wearing a toupee which is a:—

Long flowing robe; ribbon attached to spectacles; pith helmet; bouquet in his button-hole; wig; hair cloth.

18.—When you hear one woman refer to another woman as obese you can be pretty sure they are not bosom friends because obese means:—

Very untidy; slovenly in the house; given to strong drink; extremely skinny; overweight; flirtatious.

19.—Never read Roman history? Never heard of Scipio?

He was the man who cleaned up Carthage, which was in:—

Greece; Spain; Portugal; Sicily; Africa; Britain.

20.—The word is weal and the meaning is:—

What motor cars run on; young calf's flesh; a district in England; welfare; Scotch for well.

21.—Someday you might take up the career of a weaver so here is a chance to learn that the wool:—

Is the loom; the machine that drives it; is the finished article; is the thread that goes up and down; is the thread that goes from side to side; is what the workmen call the foreman.

22.—Sometimes you hear old-fashioned folk say that a certain man is very good at husbandry. You might prefer to say he was very good at:—

Rifle shooting; wood-carving; glass-blowing; looking after his wife; farming; fishing.

23.—Montpelier, according to the tourist guide, is a lovely little city which you should visit next time you go to:—

Denmark; Belgium; Hungary; Capri; West Australia; America.

24.—Farmers would look askance at you—and you'd be surprised just how farmers can look askance—if you referred to one of these as a pulse crop:—

Peas; beans; lentils; barley.

25.—Unless the sergeant puts one over you or there are special circumstances, generally you can count on the police court magistrate giving you a remand for:—

Two days; four; six; seven; eight; 10; a couple of years; as long as you like.

(Answers on Page 3)

FREDRIC MARCH ON VACATION

FREDRIC MARCH, unable to find a suitable play in which he and his wife, Florence Eldridge, may appear on Broadway has decided to take a vacation in Bermuda after finishing "Trade Winds."

March was extremely anxious to have made good on the New York stage in order to erase the memory of his last Broadway effort, which ran three days.

ON a bright morning in early September Jeff Gadsdell was putting Alleleuia through her paces.

Alleleuia, Gadsdell's niece and protégée in crime, was, at 14, one of the most hardened little toughs with whom the police had ever come into contact. She was by no means the least valued member of the gang of expert housebreakers and sneak-thieves which looked to Gadsdell for leadership.

Already this morning she had given a demonstration of lock-picking which would not have disgraced the boss himself. "Smart work, kid," said Jeff, as this demonstration concluded, and Wally Elder, his second-in-command, joined enthusiastically in the applause. "And now," said Jeff, handing Alleleuia a bar of chocolate, "tell us all about the Big Shot."

Alleleuia grinned. "The Big Shot," she began—in somewhat the manner of the juvenile prodigy who has been asked to reproduce Fourier's famous speech—"the Big Shot's a tough guy, is Charlie, tall 'n' powerful 'n' very fierce-like; everyone who knows him is afraid of him. He drives a very fast car, though I don't know what make it is, or what its number is, 'cos I never remembered to look. He's generally accompanied by a young woman—as you might say, a gangster's moll. He calls her Beauty, but I guess that's not her real name, and I dunno what her real name is 'cos no one's ever told me."

At this point Alleleuia paused for breath and Jeff, heaving with sup-

pressed laughter, asked: "And where does the Big Shot live?"

"That I can't tell you," said Alleleuia, "cos I dunno. He always picks me up in the car somewhere in the street, last time it was outside Camden Town Station and next time it's going to be somewhere in Notting Hill."

"And how many times has he picked you up altogether?"

"This'll be the third time. The first time we were going to do a job down in Surrey, but nothing came of it, and the second time we were going to do a job, I think it was Reading way, but I'm not sure 'cos nobody told me and nothing came of that either."

"And how," asked Wally, "did you meet the Big Shot in the first place?"

"Outside a public house," answered Alleleuia promptly. "Mother had gone in for a port 'n' lemon and the Big Shot came up to me and asked if I'd like to earn half-a-crown." ("Alleleuia," it should be explained, lived with her widowed mother in one of the more dilapidated parts of Bayswater.) "And mother said it was all right 'cos he always behaved himself like a gentleman. Mother has never seen the Big Shot and don't know anything about him, nor about Beauty neither."

"Okay," said Jeff. "That part of the business seems to be all right, Wally, so I guess we can go ahead with the arrangements for to-night."

The astute reader will doubtless have guessed that this story of the Big Shot was, from start to finish, an invention—an invention, in the first instance, of Jeff's, to which various touches had, from time to time, been contributed by others.

Alleleuia's part in the occasional housebreaking raids which Jeff organised was to climb through the windows of outhouses, or to squeeze through railings or gaps in fences and so secure access for her principals. This role obviously exposed

her to considerable risks which might well lead (Jeff thought) to her being captured—while the rest of the gang got away. In such a contingency she might just as well—in the interests of all concerned—tell the police a cock-and-bull story as a true one.

That night this carefully laid scheme was to fructify. Gadsdell, "acting on information received," had planned a burglary at the temporarily unoccupied residence of Major-General Hindshell.

Here, in a remote part of Sussex, was housed a valuable collection of oriental jewellery—the fruit of years of activity of the gallant General while on active service in India and China. Jeff had already arranged to dispose of this booty should he and Wally be successful—as they expected to be—in lifting it.

At about midnight Jeff's car drew up in a shady lane about 50 yards from the Hindshell residence. Alleleuia, half asleep, was in the back seat; in front sat Jeff and Wally. The former brought the car noiselessly to a standstill, while the latter, without wasting any words, slipped into the road and disappeared.

In about 20 minutes he was back again. "Everything looks Okay," Jeff, he whispered, "but we shall want the kid. The scullery window's open. We can have her through that in a jiffy."

"Well," said Jeff. He turned on his electric torch. "Wake up, Ally. Zero hour." Rummaging in the recesses of the car he produced his house-breaking tools and three pairs of rubber gloves; two of these he handed to his confederates, putting on the third himself. "Now we're all set," he said.

The lights were switched off and the three adventurers, in single file, stole warily round the corner in the direction of their objective.

Unfortunately, Wally's reconnaissance of the house had not been equal to the occasion. Alleleuia, perched precariously on Jeff's shoulder, was half-way through the window when a light flashed upon the scene and the traditional "Ere, wot's all this," of the county constabulary shattered the autumn silence.

By an unlucky chance, the marauders had arrived just as Sergeant Harris, a courageous and efficient officer, was returning to the neighbouring station. Jeff and Wally, to whom the better part of valour was, so to speak, second nature, made instantly for the car, Alleleuia, clinging pathetically to the window-ledge, fell an easy victim to the redoubtable Harris.

"A fascinating case, this," was Playfair's comment to his sergeant when, late the following day, they reviewed the evidence. "The kid's story is obviously a sheer fabrication. Yet I can get nothing more out of her, and nothing out of her mother either. The latter, I should think, is genuinely ignorant of the identity of Alleleuia's associates."

"You've taken the kid's fingerprints, I suppose?" said Dumbell. "Don't they throw any light on her past?"

"No, they don't. She's been in trouble before, but not so far as our records go, in connection with anything of this kind. Nor can Harris furnish any clue as to who were the two men whom he saw."

"So we've nothing to go on," said Dumbell, "is that it?—unless the kid spills the beans."

Playfair stroked his chin. "Come, Dumbell," he said, "I wouldn't go quite so far as that. Even experts, like Jeff Gadsdell, make mistakes sooner or later. By the way, we've got a warrant here for Jeff, and yours shall be the privilege of arresting him."

ON WHAT EVIDENCE?

(Solution on Page Three)

PUZZLE CORNER

Cryptogram

This cryptogram is an old-time verse.

EX YKNBRA VRB EX YKNBRA,
EXF BTRK ORAR YKNBRAN
BOY,
BOY YKNBRAN VRB BOY YKNBRAN,
EXF BTRK ORAR YKNBRAN,
BY,
GYMA YKNBRAN VRB E ZXKB
YG VHUI
EXF BTRK ORAR YKNBRA
NBRO.

Use 'Em Again

Follow the usual rules, which call for using the letters in the words given as many times as necessary to form words defined. The figures after the definitions indicate the number of letters in the words:

HAVENS RAP (anxious 12)=
DIP TEN (self-reliant, 11)=
TRIO NAP (conciliation, 12)=

Letter Juggling

Try forming 2 different 12-letter words from the 12 letters given below. Use all 12 letters in each word:

A C E I N N O O R S T V

Find the Number

A certain number exceeds the sum of its 3rd, 4th, and 10th parts by 33. Find the number.

Fun With Synonyms

Here are more words and their synonyms to be paired off:

1 slope	trap
2 jewel	present
3 gesture	incline
4 gift	fluid
5 aware	acrobatic
6 friend	joist
7 sad	action
8 scholar	accede
9 stellar	geo
10 liquid	surf

(Answers Appear on Page 3)



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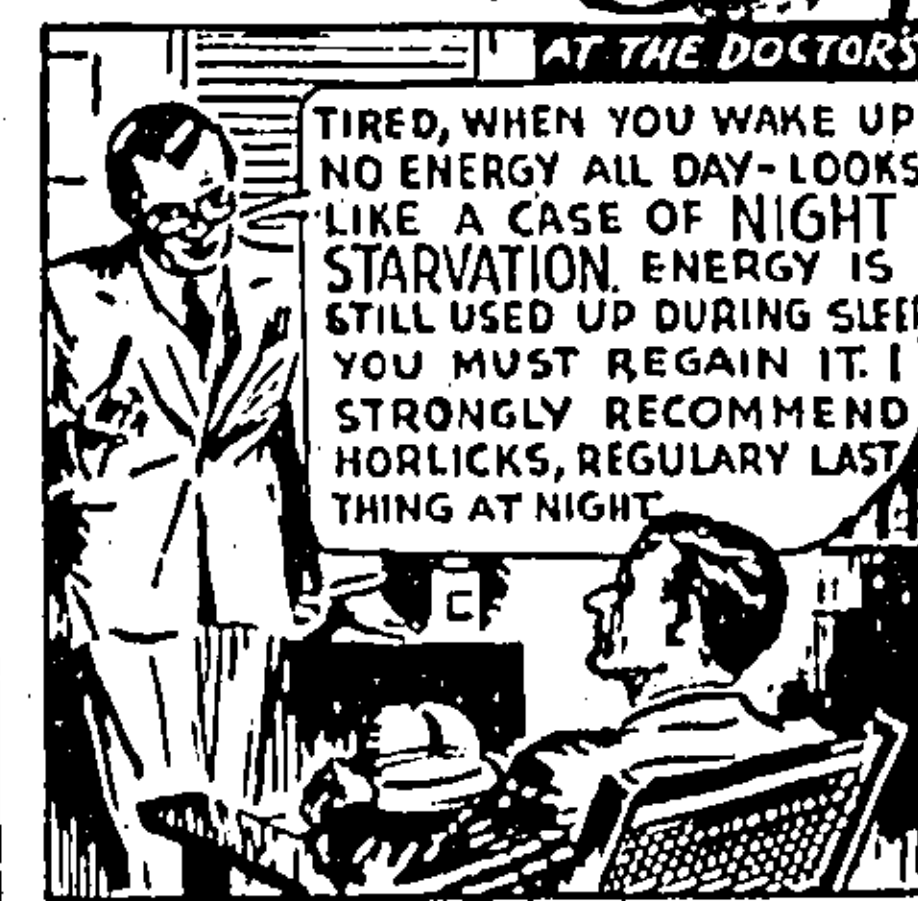
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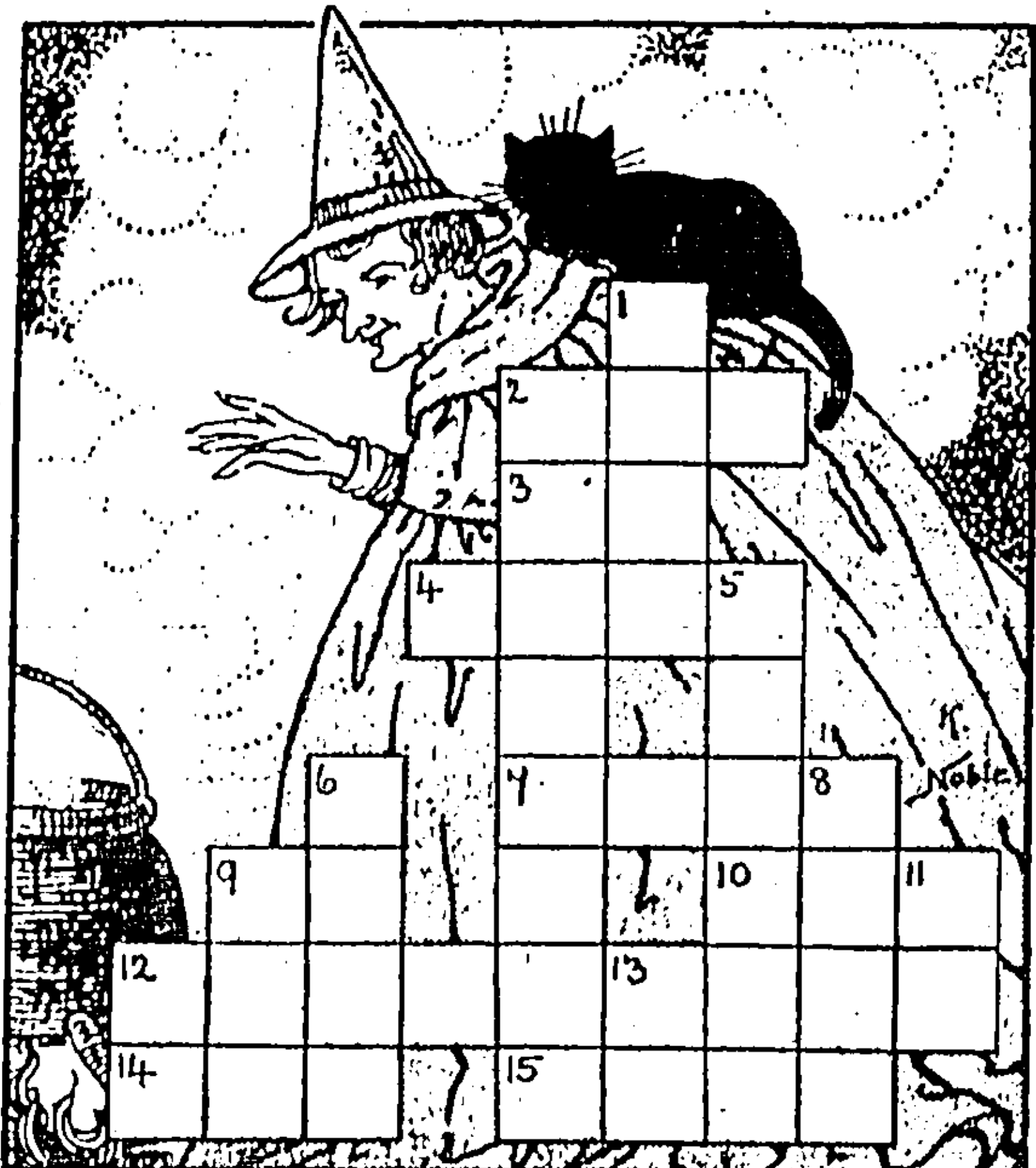
If you wake tired, if you suffer from 'nerves' enervation and that dreadful feeling of exhaustion GUARD AGAINST NIGHT STARVATION



TAKE HORLICKS

YOU SLEEP SOUNDLY, WAKE REFRESHED AND HAVE EXTRA ENERGY ALL DAY

Girls' and Boys' Corner



This entry is all my own work.

NAME AGE.....
ADDRESS

Dear Kiddies,

Last week's painting competition was most popular and the entries were really very good. In fact, it took me quite a long time to decide upon the winning entries. However, after careful consideration, I have decided to award the prizes this week to:-

Mary Grace Asche (aged 12½), St. Stephen's College.

Jean Hunter (aged 8), 11, Leighton Hill, Judy Price (aged 6), Cathay Hotel, 810, King's Road.

Coupons are being sent to Mary, Jean and Judy which I want them to bring to the "Hongkong Telegraph" office in Wyndham Street. The coupons will then be exchanged for money prizes.

I want to specially commend the following for good entries:-
Seniors: Yuen Wah-choi, Yung Kit-wo, Ho Man-chun, Olga Tam, Paul Vesmond, Muriel Sarrazin, Percy Gardner, Jeannette Moorcroft, Charles E. Clark, Mary Ann, Laurence Becker, Oleg Juchin, Intermediates: Bertie Phillips, David

Asche, Constantin Bonhoff, Alan Whelpton, Rita Gardner, Teresa Souza, Ann Hunter, Perry Shek, S. S. Bux, Le Yim, Mervin Tong, Eddie Chan, Wilma Way, Eulalia Xavier.

Juniors: Nena Ozorio, P. Wong, Gaffoor Bux.

This week, kiddies, we are having a clueless crossword puzzle. The words below are not clues, but the actual words to be filled in.

Ink or pencil may be used. The best way is to put in the long words first; the other words will then fit in more easily.

Having filled all the spaces, complete the crossword, then cut out the puzzle. Send to Uncle Eddie, c/o "Hongkong Telegraph", Wyndham Street, before 2 p.m. on Wednesday. All boys and girls not over 15 years of age may send in, and full allowance will be made for age.

Lately, I have noticed that quite a few kiddies are being helped in the competitions by their parents or older brothers

The SNAPSHOT GUILD

ACTION SNAPS



What action! Must have taken a fast shutter to stop it! Well, no—don't tell anybody, but it was snapped at 1/25 second, approximately box-camera shutter speed. The athlete simply held still for a moment.

PRETTY soon the weather will be opening up, schools will start on their athletic programmes, small boys will be knocking battered footballs around on vacant lots—and your youngsters, very likely, will be among them.

These amateur athletes are excellent material for your camera, whether it is a box camera such as most of us have, or one of the new high-speed miniatures.

Of course, with a box camera, you cannot always expect to "stop" rapid action. That is the field of the cameras with high-speed lenses and shutters. But there's no reason why you can't picture action poses—some of them so realistic that people who see them would vow the pictures were high-speed "stop-action" snaps.

and sisters. Please do not do this. Apart from being unfair, I do not see what satisfaction can be obtained by allowing others to complete your puzzles. Every good wish, kiddies.

Uncle Eddie

Any athlete, proud of his muscles and uniform, should be glad to "hold it" a moment for you. And small boys on neighborhood baseball diamonds cheer when they see a camera coming. They'll hold any pose you want them to.

The low viewpoint is best for action pictures, with the camera tilted slightly upward so that the sky forms the picture background.

Try it, with a young pitcher "winding up" or at the end of his delivery. He can hold his position and expression long enough for you to snap the picture—and the effect is one of genuine rapid action.

"Action" snaps of this sort not only turn out to be good pictures, but also provide plenty of fun. Try some, and see how easily the camera (and your friends) can be fooled.

John van Guilder

THRILLER

FRANCIS BEEDING is nothing if not ingenious. In his latest thriller, *The Black Arrows* (Hodder and Stoughton, 7s. 6d.), an Italian dictator, whose identity is cunningly disguised under the name of Cafarelli, actually calls upon the British Intelligence Service to help him stamp out a secret organisation whose aim is to force him into a war with England.

He cannot trust his own police, for the Black Arrows, as John Cowper (his Intelligence Service formula is HX14X) discovers to his cost, has its agents everywhere. As the advertisement says, even his best friends won't tell him.

Fortunately, Cowper is a strong swimmer, for the mysterious canals of Venice, where most of his adventures occur, figure largely in the book, which, like all Beeding's, piles adventure on adventure to the very last page.

D. M.

Are You Sure?

(Questions on Page 2)

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Blue. | 14 Anchor. |
| 2 Queensland | 15 The Jazz Sing- |
| 3 Tadpole. | 16 Part between |
| 4 Carole. | 17 Wig. |
| 5 Ins died. | 18 Overweight. |
| 6 Sandwich. | 19 Africa. |
| 7 Council. | 20 Welfare. |
| 8 George II. | 21 The thread go- |
| 9 French For- | 22 Farming. |
| 10 Gilbert. | 23 American |
| 11 Monday. | 24 Barley |
| 12 Whisky. | 25 Eight. |
| 13 5 (the vowels: a, e, i, o, u). | |

Puzzle Corner, Answers Cryptogram

An oyster met an oyster,
And they were oysters two;
Two oysters met two oysters,
And they were oysters, too.
Four oysters met a pint of milk,
And they were oyster stew.
Use 'Em Again: Apprehensive, independent, propitiation.
Letter Juggling: Conservation, conversation.
Find the Number: 120.
Fun With Synonyms: Slope— incline; jewel—gem; gesture— motion; gift—present; snare—trap; friend—comrade; sod—turf; search—scrutiny; jester—joker; liquid—fluid.

INSPECTOR PLAYFAIR SOLUTION

Jeff Gadsdell had stupidly left his own fingerprints on the rubber gloves worn by Alleleuia.

THIEVES PICK CIGARETTES

CLEVELAND, O. Thieves took all brands of cigarettes except one from a suburban Olmsted Falls drug store. They scored a 12-cent brand.

This Novel Has Almost Everything

IF ARNOLD BENNETT were alive to-day he would have read, with mixed feelings of delight and envy, *The Big Firm*, by Amabel Williams-Ellis, Collins, 8s. 6d.

He would have delighted in the strength of the story, in the power of the author to make the world about her at once familiar and exciting. So exciting that I grudged the time I had to spend on meals while I was reading this long tale. The test of a good novelist, if ever there was one!

And he would certainly have been envious. For he had an almost idolatrous passion for vast concerns: the larger the wheels the more he liked to see them go round. And Mrs. Williams-Ellis has chosen the biggest organisation she or anyone else could find in the maze of modern industry—a huge chemical combine which she calls Consolidated Scientific Products (thereafter referred to as C.S.P.).

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But, since she hasn't any of Bennett's schoolboyish gusto for detail, she leaves the Big Firm in the background, content to show us its machine power over men and women—directors and their wives, research workers and their lovers, laboratory assistants and commissionaires.

She can even be pleasantly ironical about the Wonders of Science. And it's high time that somebody was!

"They'll be able," said Bernard, "to pulp up wood or corn cobs or seaweed and things and then put it into vats to brew like beer. And when it comes out they'll be able to roll it into sheets and arrange that a sort of paint grows on it... purple bloom on a grape, you know, marvellous colours."

Or put in a different bug, brew it another way in another vat and it'll rise—like a loaf of bread, you know—and turn into a lovely soft chair. Then they'll soon be able to put another sort of yeast into a haystack and it'll puff up and turn hollow and you'll have a house!

Or you'll be able to turn it into soap or lumps of sugar or motor spirit or stuff for making cinema films or rubber or leather or ink... really anything else you happen to want."

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And, when someone tells Bernard that very few people know how soap or sugar or "things" are made in the ordinary way, he replies, with dignity, "Neither do I. I haven't the slightest idea even how gin is made." But that isn't stop me from taking an intelligent interest in the wonders of science!

Not content with mocking the Higher Modern Mysteries, this novelist will show you, by the way and among many other matters, the fatuity of London receptions, the boredom of the wealthy, the adaptability of politicians, the idealism of youth, the helpless obstinacy of the old, the alertness of children, the finding of love and the loss of it.

And, if you want to know how the Welsh mountains look on a wintry afternoon or what it feels like to be trying to hold up a cargo of munitions for rebel Spain, Mrs. Williams-Ellis will tell you that also.

The Big Firm, you see, has almost everything.

R. P.

Three Away

Burgos Justice, by Antonio Ruiz Vilaplana (Constable, 7s. 6d.).

Senor Ruiz worked at Burgos, under the Franco regime as a Commissioner of Justice until he could bear it no longer. There was no justice—only death for those who believed in right and freedom.

Bodies found here, bodies found there, and any attempt to carry out the normal routine, identifications and inquiries instantly squashed. A terrible indictment, sincere and convincing.

Journalist's Wife, by Lillian Mowrer (Heinemann, 12s. 6d.).

Here is a book not only about a famous journalist, but obviously by a should-be famous journalist.

For Mrs. Mowrer, telling the story of her twenty years of pacing along the heels of Edgar Mowrer, at the same



Amabel Williams-Ellis is a daughter of the late St. Loe Strachey and sister of John Strachey. Lytton Strachey was her cousin. She is married to Clough Williams-Ellis, the architect.

time presents modern Europe's history through a woman's eyes.

While carrying on as a wife and mother, she has seen most of the major events of post-war years, and her witty and brilliant description of them adds something all have missed so far.

W. M. T.

German and Czech, a Threat to European Peace, by S. Grant Duff (The New Fabian Research Bureau, 14s.).

If you want to know why Czechoslovakia was the next European storm centre after

Spain, you should read this excellent pamphlet. It will tell you all about the 3,250,000 German minority in Czechoslovakia, how they got there, what their grievances are and whether they prefer Hitler or Benes.

It will also tell you why the capture of Czechoslovakia is conceived by the Nazis as a crucial next step in the conquest of Europe and why Czechoslovakia regards her treaty with Russia as an essential guarantee of her safety.

The author, as Hugh Dalton says in his preface, has "had exceptional opportunities for intelligent observation in Prague" and "has made good use of them."

D. J.

Thrillers

YOU can't, unfortunately, make a detective story about the very best kind of murder—the one that was never found out because it was just accident or natural death.

However, Josephine Bell gets pretty near to it in *Fall Over Cliff* (Longmans, 7s. 6d.). She puts her Dr. Winifred on a trail of death by diabetes, runaway pony and drowning that only became suspect because the murderer rather overdid it.

I recommend this book. Here are the rest:

Oleagon House, by Phoebe Atwood Taylor (Collins, 7s. 6d.). Asey Mayo Onpe Coddling again with a find of ambergris and an unlikely post office as the cause of all the trouble.

Death at the Bank, by Basil Francis (Constable, 7s. 6d.). Wicked manager horribly bashed. Everybody rejoicing and suspect.

The Man Saw Murder, by Gail Oliver (Geoffrey Bles, 7s. 6d.).

Accused murderer ("she curled up like a snake and hissed") done to death as she planned to sell her life story.

F. E. H.

Actor-Husband

by actress-wife

WHEN an actress-wife writes about her actor-husband, one expects some touches of biography's worst ingredients—copious circumstance and imitation detachment especially. In *Charles Laughton and I*, by Elsa Lancaster (Faber and Faber, 8s. 6d.) we get nothing of the kind. Written with a larkly candour and utterly unaffected clarity, the book conveys a convincing picture of a grand pair of human beings, full of the zest of life, which they take as seriously in play as in work.

Haters of humbug and limelight.

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Laughton won a school prize of Shakespeare and thought: "One day I shall be a great actor and this will become the much-thumbed copy of Charles Laughton." Mrs. Laughton comments: "He has lost the book and has discovered he is no good in Shakespeare."

Inner stories of their stage and film roles abound but the best yarns are about others—for example, Norma Shearer, whose appetite is colossal, but who turns cartwheels after meals.

Practical jokes in the theatre are commoner than most people think. Miss Lancaster, acting at the Old Vic, had to pick up a big black bag. Roger Livesey had made this impossible by putting two 20lb. weights in it. Next night, Ursula Jeans saved Livesey's walking-stick nearly in half, so that it snapped in the middle of a scene.

Sir Gerald du Maurier was an inveterate joker. As the butler in "The Admirable Crichton" he brought in a letter, stuck to the tray and immovable, and arranged for slow drips of water to fall on a bald actor's head, dripping a long scene.

P. L. M.

Blackguard to forget

JACK MYTTON was a blackguard. He was born in 1799, the heir to a respectable and wealthy Shropshire squire, who died when his boy was not quite two.

During a long minority, carefully husbanded by his mother, Jack Mytton's wealth grew finely. The Napoleonic wars suited landlords, you know, if they neatly starved their tenants.

In its issue of April 2, 1834, "The Times" recorded a verdict of natural death brought in at the inquest on Jack Mytton, who had died of drink in the King's Bench Prison.

He had meantime been expelled from two schools, left Cambridge before he was sent down, treated his wife and children with great cruelty, gambled and drunk his way through a magnificent estate.

He was cruel to animals, evil tempered to his servants, horrible in his cups, vainglorious out of them.

To-day, maybe, psychological treatment might have made a man of him. His own age could do nothing with him.

He is best forgotten. It is a pity that I have had to review two lives of him in a very few years, or that Edith Sitwell bothered to waste her trifle fun on him in her *English Eccentrics*. The new life of him is called *Madcap's Progress*. It is written quite nicely by Richard Darwall (Dent, 16s.).

when he and Judy did a scene from their latest picture, "Listen, Darling."

Moviedom Gossip

Goble as Ballet Master

ON the "Idiot's Delight" set, Norma Shearer is a sensation in her platinum blonde wig and black tights, while Clark Gable is amusing everyone with his dance routines. He plays a professional dancer in the picture, and has to take dancing lessons.

Carole Lombard is teasing him about it, and sent him a pair of ballet slippers and a ballet skirt.

Ameche's Double

DON AMECHE's brother Jimmy, who is so like Don in voice and appearance he might be taken for his twin, will make his movie debut with his brother in "Three Musketeers."

The studio needed someone who could logically masquerade for Don in his role as D'Artagnan, and Jimmy, who has had acting experience in radio dramas, was the natural choice.

Personal Appearance

FREDDIE BARTHOLOMEW spent a week in New York for personal appearances. When he arrived, 500 women rushed up to the train to meet him.

He made the trip to New York with his Aunt Classy (Miss Mylicent Bartholomew) and his tutor, an Englishman by the name of John Cooper.

Freddie's act in New York consisted of coming on to the stage while Judy Garland appeared on the screen, and they talked to each other. Then Freddie suddenly disappeared, only to reappear on the screen,

Dark-Eyed Drivers Are Best

BLUE eyes are the red light when it comes to driving. Dark eyes are safer.

It isn't anything to do with back-seat driving or vamping policemen. Experts have decided that men and women with dark eyes are better car drivers than those with light coloured eyes.

There's a reason for it. Listen to Dr. H. R. De Silva and Philip Robinson, of Harvard University, who have carried out 1,200 tests on the sensitivity of the eyes.

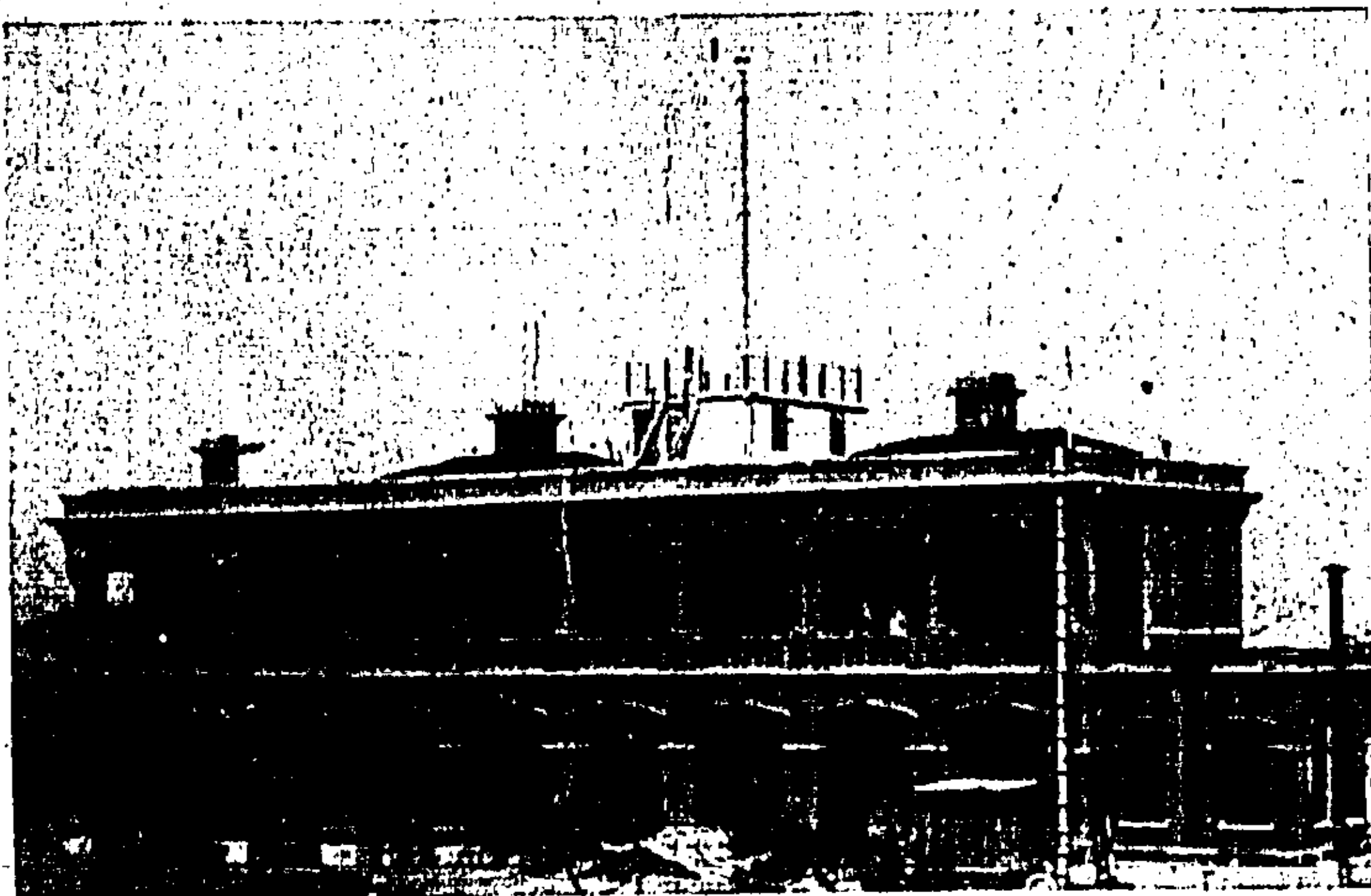
"Light eyes are the least sensitive in low illuminations, so that drivers with light blue, grey or green eyes should be careful when driving at night."

In the daytime, too, care is necessary for people possessing light eyes for sun-glare makes them less efficient.

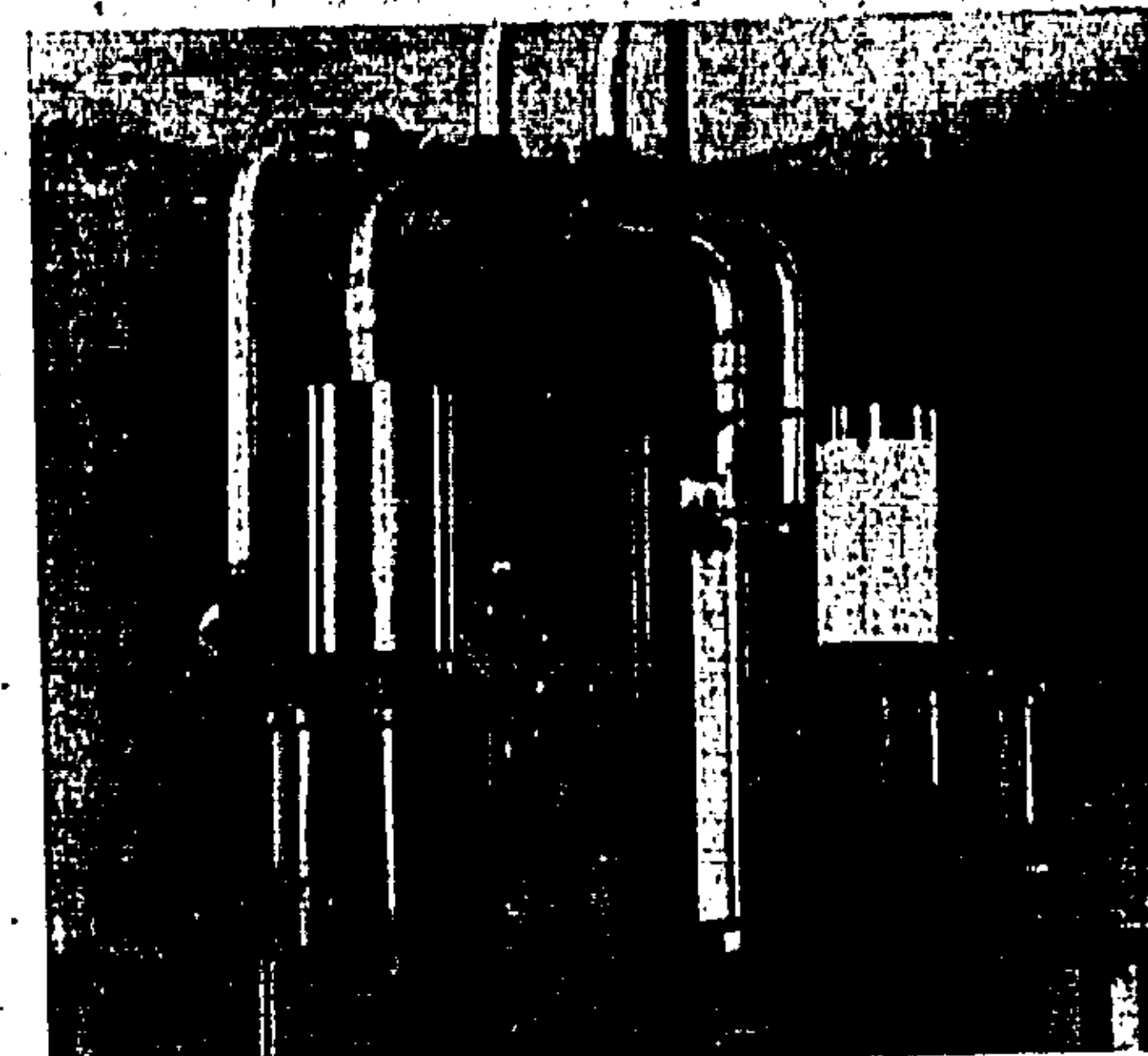
"Best efficiency is shown by black and brown eyes."



CHRISTENING. Photograph taken at St. John's Cathedral after the recent christening of Frederick Ernest, infant son of Mr. A. G. Hargreave of Imperial Chemical Industries, and Mrs. Hargreave.



THE FIRST anemometer of its type to be used in the Far East is installed and ready for use in the Royal Observatory, Kowloon. Above is shown the mast and vane of the anemometer.—Staff Photographer.



AN INSIDE VIEW of the anemometer at the Royal Observatory. The new anemometer is capable, among other things, of recording wind velocity up to 220 miles an hour and indicating the direction of the wind.—Staff Photographer.



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WHY NOT HELP YOURSELF TO DAUGHTER'S SUPPLY . . . SURELY SHE WON'T BEGRUDGE HER FATHER A CIGARETTE OR TEN.



BROTHER, HAVE YOU EVER BEEN TROUBLED WITH INSOMNIA AND DECIDED TO READ FOR A FEW HOURS AND FOUND THAT THERE WASN'T A SMOKE IN THE HOUSE?



JOHN BLUNT Says— STICK UP FOR THE EMPIRE

IT IS INTERESTING, sometimes, when in reflective mood, to ruminate as to what exactly the average foreigner thinks of the average Briton?

I employ the word "Briton" in preference to the Americanism "Britisher."

I am even willing to forego the right to refer to a native of England as an Englishman, for the modesty of the Englishman is profound—born of an in-born sense of courtesy—a sense of avoiding hurting the other fellow's feelings. So much for that!

Even so, it is England that crystallizes all that the Englishman, Scotman, Welshman, even Irishman, Welshman, Australian, New Zealander, South African—and every other member of the British Commonwealth of Nations sticks up for when things are not going too smoothly in the world.

THIS SMALL COLONY of Hongkong is a particularly suitable corner of the Empire in which to address my opening question. It plays the part of host to almost every nationality under the sun, and as the typical English host, does everything possible to make the guest feel at home. In fact, some of our guests enjoy a freedom which they cannot experience in their own homelands to-day.

Irksome restrictions are non-existent. It is merely necessary for our visitors to arrive with the conventional form of introduction in the form of a properly attested passport, and every courtesy is theirs.

In some quarters recently, there has been a deplorable tendency to belittle and malign England, and those guilty of the discourtesy overlook the fact that they are insulting their host, no matter though they happen to reside in a corner of the world far removed from England.

The unfortunate part is that one occasionally comes across British subjects who would be most indignant if they were dubbed un-British—and yet they have neither the courtesy nor loyalty to stick up for their own Empire, when it happens to be symbolized in the good old name of England.

WHEN I happened to be in Australia, I was forcibly struck by the fact that Australians so frequently referred with some pride to "The Home Country"—and when I enquired as to what part of the British Isles they came from, it was not unusual to receive the reply that they had never visited the "Old Country"—but that it seemed natural to refer to it as the "Old Country" or the "Mother Country."

Travelling around the world, every member of the British Empire is glad of the fact that he carries a British passport, no matter whether issued in Hongkong, Sydney, London—or where you will. When landing in the United States—Germany or elsewhere, he doesn't claim that he

is a Scotsman, Australian, (or Englishman, for that matter.) No, he merely relies for his recognition, acceptance and protection on the all-important fact that he happens to carry his credentials as a British subject, but all the time, at the back of him stands England.

I'M NOT TRYING to rub it in. On the contrary, I am deeply sensible of the fact that I would not matter whether Canada, Scotland or Hongkong happened to be the Headquarters of the Empire, the rest of the members should have the good grace and common decency to support the whole. Never was it more necessary for the Empire and every member of the Empire to foster union in outlook and action, and when this is all boiled down, it comes to the point that it is England that stands for the protection of the Empire's rights and safety.

Some foreign nations to-day, have developed the weapon (some people call it an art) known as propaganda, and employ it in a most scurrilous manner. They must find it quite a problem seeking each day some new cannon to hurl against England.

PALESTINE HAS recently been a particularly useful field for such "news," and under the guise of "news" the world has been flooded with anti-British propaganda.

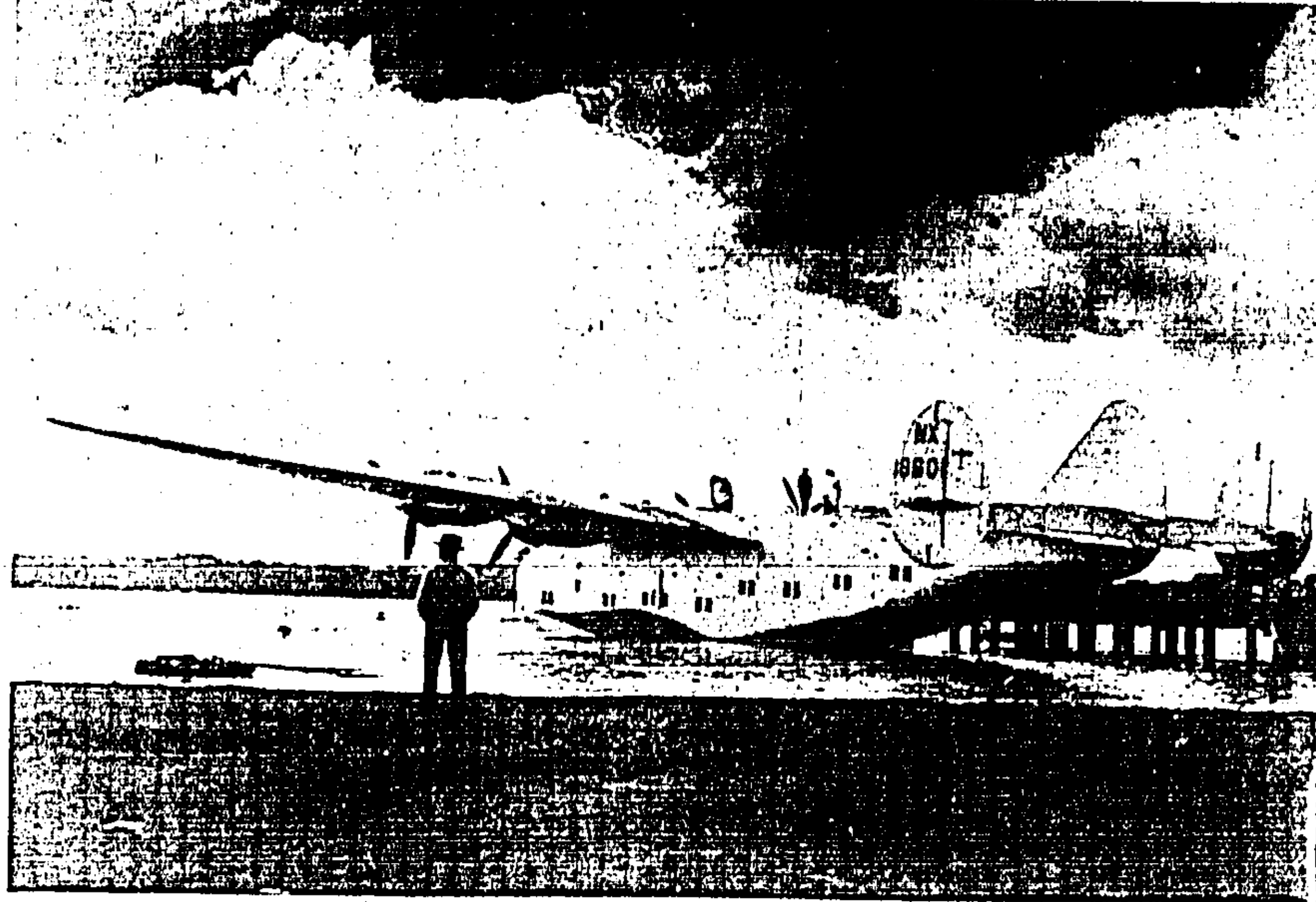
It is a matter for consolation that the majority of thinking people of the Empire (of the reasonable part of the world, for that matter) are able to judge the allegations by the source, but nevertheless there are some even amongst those whose birth gives them the right to claim British citizenship—who blindly accept everything they read in cold print.

May I suggest that those who know not loyalty to the Empire as a whole, might very well pause awhile and remember that their very existence, freedom and protection depend upon England remaining supreme.

At the back of loyalty stands tradition—a term which seems to be as red rag to a bull to people who neither understand nor realize what tradition stands for. "Lloyd's Encyclopaedia Dictionary" defines tradition as follows:—"The oral law, said to have been given by God to Moses. . . That which is handed down from father to son, or from ancestor to posterity by oral communications without written memorials; knowledge or belief transmitted from forefathers to descendants without the aid of written memorials."

England's tradition of the past is worth handing down, and every member of our great partnership of nations should be proud to pass on to posterity such a tradition.

I need not those who seek by subtle means to decry our heritage, and above all, remember that it is a crazy bird that fouls its own nest.



HITHERTO UNDREAMED OF AERIAL LUXURY.—A photograph of the new Boeing Clipper, which will fly a live in Hongkong early next month.

HERE COMES THE NEW CLIPPER

First of a Series of Saturday Articles on Aviation By Our Aviation Correspondent

THE NEW CLIPPER is coming to Kai Tak. Within the next five weeks the largest commercial plane in the world will circle lazily over Hongkong and come to rest at the airport marine terminal.

And then the Colony will have an opportunity to see the newest, most startling development in a story of human achievement begun 35 years ago on the dunes at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina. The first of a fleet of 83,000 lb. air monsters will be in regular service across the Pacific.

This million dollar aircraft, big as a five-room house, is capable of carrying 74 passengers in hitherto undreamed of aerial luxury.

BRIDAL SUITE ABOARD

The Boeing 314 official designation of the new plane which has not yet been christened, is equipped with a bridal suite, smoking room, dining saloon and lounge and 6,000 lbs of berths, divans and other luxurious chrome and mohair fittings in green, beige and blue.

CATHAY CLIPPER

Its fuel tanks hold enough gasoline to carry an ordinary car two and a half times round the world. In bulk the new ship, probably to be known as Cathay Clipper, is two and a half times bigger than the familiar China Clipper. Its four motors generate 6,000 horse-power, at the top-out. The air-conditioning system aboard would heat five seven-room houses.

Strange, it is, but in the midst of all this magnificence, the most significant bit of furniture is a single arm-chair.

That chair epitomises the realisation of an idea which has been in the minds of aviation engineers for years—the day when the captain of a passenger plane would be commander in the real sense of the word.

In the past the plane captain has been hindered by the fact that he is also the pilot. Even the advent of the co-pilot and the invention of the

robot pilot did not relieve him very much. The captain still had to keep his fingers on the controls. There was no room, even in a modern plane, for a man who did not take a part in flying the ship.

That is why the arm chair on the new Clipper, tucked away on the flight deck with an area of 205 square feet, (compare this with the old-time cockpit,) is the symbol of the coming flight technique.

THE "OLD MAN"

There are three principal factors of safety in commercial aviation. The ship must be under control at a safe altitude, must be on a course of, and must be powered sufficiently to keep it in level flight, no matter the conditions.

The pilot, and the pilot alone, once faced the stern job of making certain of all these facts. His was the job not only of flying the plane, but of determining, by means of scores of instruments and his radio, that the motors were running smoothly, snap on its course, and all clear ahead. That aviation concept has passed. The change has its apex in the new Boeing's arm-chair, occupied by the "old man," who need never touch a control in the ship unless he so desires. He is the skipper, the man behind the ship.

A crew of seven are under him, no counting the two stewards. Each crewman is an expert and each has a specific station on the flight deck. Up forward behind the flying controls are the first and second officers. The navigating officer and an assistant, work at their charts at a broad desk on the port side, plotting each mile of the ship's 4,400 mile journey to Hongkong.

Across from the navigator's table the radio man holds forth, three transmitters, four receivers and a direction finder at his elbow. Close by the flight engineer is at his post, desk flanked by instruments and control panels. A flight mechanic ready if necessary to enter the wings and make any necessary repairs on the motors is within call.

LIKE A STEAMSHIP

Behind the navigator's station is the captain's desk and the arm-chair, far from the actual controls. There he sits, confident, co-ordinating and supervising the functions of all the experts as the ship wings its way to Hongkong.

Nor does the picture fade out there. The skipper is expected to mingle with the passengers as on an ocean liner. Dreams of Aristotle, Leonardo Da Vinci, Jules Verne and H. G. Wells come true in 1939 when the captain has his own table at dinner, with passengers panelling for the brief social glory of being invited to sit at it. (Next Saturday: New Wings for the Pacific and Atlantic.)

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?
revolver
revolver
meridian
revolveable
ambulatory
tipsey
English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 13.

Clipper Dimensions

WEIGHT. — (Empty) 40,629 lbs. (loaded) 85,000 lbs.
SURFACE AREA. — 4,000 square feet. Wing Span, 152 feet.

LENGTH. — 109 feet.
HEIGHT at CENTRE 28 ft. 6 in.

MOTORS. — 4 Wright Cyclones of 1,500 h.p. each.

PASSENGERS.—74 by day, 34 by night.

MAIL, BAGGAGE and EXPRESS.—2½ tons.

GASOLINE CAPACITY. — 4,300 gallons.

SPEED.—200 m.p.h. maximum. Service ceiling 20,000 feet.

TENSION GROWS IN BRITAIN

(Continued from Page 1.)
cape, and also the shelling and wounding of two British subjects, General Franco has not yet deigned to reply.

Meanwhile, the "Daily Herald" in an editorial says: "The Spanish people are fighting with one hand and behind them. General Franco, the instrument of the Fascist Powers, is allowed to receive war material from abroad. The Spanish Government cannot buy even anti-aircraft guns to protect their citizens. How, on any honest grounds, can Mr. Chamberlain refuse any longer to call Parliament?" —United Press.

HK'ONG WOMAN DETAINED

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revenue officials were seeking, however, was not found.
The woman detained in San Francisco was Mrs. Chung Lee, otherwise known as Yoo. Wong. Her husband left Hongkong some months previously and was awaiting his wife's arrival in San Francisco.
Mr. Lee was a passenger aboard the American President liner in President Coolidge, which arrived in San Francisco on January 3.
It is stated that the opium was found in a false bottom in her trunk.

ANGLO-U.S. SUPREMACY AT SEA STRESSED

(Continued from Page 1.)
hindered not only on the continent, but also on the oceans.
Japan's command of the sea and the air by the Japanese navy and naval air force paved the way for the Japanese military successes in China.
"Japanese command of the sea in Asia would prove a strong deterrent to other Powers from taking vigorous attitudes against Japan."
"The mission of the Japanese navy increases in importance, quite apart from the question of safeguarding Japan's trade routes."

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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

The troopship Tamar was expected to arrive at Singapore on the 18th inst. We read that the direction of the Turin Arsenal had received orders from the Ministry of War at Rome to immediately commence the manufacture of 400,000 rifles of the last approved pattern. The entire stock must be ready for delivery without fail by March 10th next. This looks anything but promising for the universal peace we have heard so much about lately. It looks as if the Scotchmen were still hankering after the "America" Cup, and, undaunted by the failure of the *Thetis*, mean to have another trial for it. A letter has been received at the New York Yacht Club from Mr. York, secretary of the Royal Clyde Yacht Club, on behalf of one of its members, asking if the same conditions that governed the *Volunteer* *Thetis* races would be accepted in the event of a new challenge. It is understood that an affirmative reply has been sent.

A masquerade ball, under the auspices of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China, will be held at the City Hall, on Friday, February 10. The subscription is limited to \$10 for Masons and \$5 for each Guest invited (non-Masons).

Alf Woolley.
Hon. Sec.

25 YEARS AGO

The *Daily Telegraph* states on what it deems an "high authority" that a grave crisis exists in the Cabinet regarding Naval Policy, the majority agreeing with Mr. Lloyd George, and opposing Mr. Churchill, the First Lord of the Admiralty.

The personal relations between Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Churchill are extremely strained and the resignation of one or the other from the Cabinet is in the next few days is regarded as Mr. and Mrs. D. Templeton, Mr. E. H.

possible. Moreover, if Mr. Churchill is defeated in the Cabinet, the whole Board of Admiralty will resign. The Cabinet discusses the subject on Thursday.

Since the death of Mr. Fung-a Cantonese aviator, no successor in the art has appeared. It is learned, however, that a Sunningdale named Mr. Lui, who has been taught flying in Japan, is now preparing for an aerial exhibition at the Parade Ground outside the Eastern Gate of Canton.

The sea is a fine career for any British lad, and it is comforting to realize that the old spirit is still with the race. It has been proved that we can find the men. But men without ships are of small avail. And for that reason we hope the "Little Navy" politicians will speedily perceive that it has misjudged the feelings of the people. The race in armaments must continue; it is inevitable. There will be set-backs for the statement of large views, very possibly, but we believe the majority of the people will give their support. Men are not waiting for the Navy; and the money wherewith to build the ships must also be forthcoming.

Among those who accepted invitations to the luncheon of the S.S. Wuchang, the christening ceremony was performed by Mrs. Edkins. The guests included: Mr. A. V. van Andel, Mr. E. Bailey, Mr. E. R. Brance, Mr. J. I. Bowley, Capt. B. R. Brance, Mr. G. A. Caldwell, Capt. W. E. Clarke, Mr. B. W. Cradlock, Mr. and Mrs. Danby, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Dyer, and Miss Dyer, Mr. G. T. Edkins, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Graham, Mr. H. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. T. Hayashi, Mr. and Mrs. J. Owen Hughes, Capt. and Mrs. Innes, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jack, Mr. and Mrs. J. Jonckheer, Mr. E. A. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Lavers, Mr. and Mrs. L. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Lennox, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Linton, Mr. and Mrs. Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs. J. McCubbin, Mr. and Mrs. J. Finlay Miller, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Morton, Mr. and Mrs. J. Nielsen, Mr. Otto Kone Rine, Mr. E. V. D. Perry, Col. P. J. J. Redcliffe, Capt. and Mrs. T. Rogers, Mr. H. E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. M. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. D. Templeton, Mr. E. H.

If he cries, should I pick him up?

It has been said that if you treat a baby properly, providing it is a normal, healthy baby, he will cry very little and sleep as much as he should.

Now let's take the thing calmly and see where we got.

To start with, let me say that I would not presume to tell you how to treat your baby properly. My source of information on the subject, however, is beyond question . . . you know, let's after her name and everything. And this, in so many words, is what she says.

It's Easy to Learn

PERSONAL experience and a good book will soon discover the most suitable food for your baby, which means good digestion and no tummy-aches. Then there is information to be had on all sides as to what baby should wear to keep him warm and comfortable, without over or under dressing him.

His bedding should be medium soft, and tucking-in a cozy affair, not like a strait-jacket; and then, a good point this, whoever is handling him must be calm and assured. So much for the book.

All that is quite obviously logical and sense. It is perfectly well and perfectly happy, why should he cry?

I have been told quite definitely that no baby will be difficult in that really good circumstances, and my answer, just as definite and a bit louder, is that thousands will—and are!

There are thousands of babies who are good, delightful little morsels in their waking hours, but who take the gloomiest view of being put down to sleep. They offer every resistance possible, and generally soon as he can crawl, the terrific mother's time getting them off.

I think this type of trouble is due mainly to one of two things.

Either the baby is spoilt, or else he has an unusually active mind.

If he is spoilt he does not want to lie down and be good, because he is well aware that a couple of good yells will pick him out of bed in a trice, which is amusing.

If he is bright-minded sleep is just a bore when there are so many other nice things to do.

It does not make much difference in the end which way it is, because, unless his mother has a heart of stone or is quite deaf, she isn't going to let him lie there and yell himself blue in the face.

No doubt, if he has a soft, unemotional sort of cry, leaving him to it in good training and unlikely to harm him. So if he cries as if for the pleasure of the thing and you are sure there is no reason—let him cry, and in many cases he will learn that it is getting him nowhere, and so give it up as a bad job.

But if he has a loud, angry sort of cry, and seems to be working himself into a frenzy, I would quite definitely pick him up.

Here is the Answer

BUT, all you harassed mothers, there is an end to it. So rock, cradle, and I will tell you how it generally works out. There is an answer to the problem, and the answer is time.

You see, the small baby who has nothing whatever against him, except his dislike of sleep, is quite simply not tired.

His brain is active, perhaps too active, and you know what that does to you if you are grown up. You go to bed feeling mentally exhausted and you toss and turn all night, and you sleep like a log.

Whereas a five-mile walk before bedtime and your sleep like a log, and you sleep like a log.

So, then, fairly safe to say that the gloomiest view of being put down to sleep, and generally soon as he can crawl, the terrific mother's time getting them off.

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The End of it All

SO look forward to the time when he can get about.

It may be a nerve-racking business. He will open your cupboards and remove all their contents, he will take your unread newspaper and, when he has finished looking at it, destroy it utterly, and then with a sweet smile he will take the corner of the tablecloth and pull it clean off the newly-laid table.

But at the end of it all he will sleep. And so will you.

Delicious Fritters

NOW is the time to serve fritters—and a quarter of a pint of milk. The days are colder and these hot, crisp, brown delicacies look so deliciously tempting!

Fritters, with a few exceptions, consist of small portions of fruit, vegetables, fish, meat, cheese, &c., dipped in batter and fried in hot fat. As the success of the fritters depends largely on the batter—use a reliable recipe and be sure to see that the consistency is thick enough to "coat" the food.

Here is an economical batter recipe:—Four ounces of flour, a pinch of salt, quarter of a pint of warm water, one dessertspoonful of salad oil or melted butter, one egg white.

Sift the flour and salt in a basin. Make a hollow in the centre, and pour in the salad oil or melted butter, then add the warm water very gradually and mix to a smooth batter.

Beat thoroughly and allow to stand for at least an hour. Just before using, whisk the white of egg to a very stiff froth and fold it lightly into the batter.

Most people are acquainted with the ordinary fruit and vegetable fritters—apple, banana, celery, cucumber, &c., but here are a few of the "not so common" variety!

Sandwich Fritters—These are very popular with children. Cut thin slices of white or brown bread and butter, spread half the number with jam, jelly, marmalade, mince, honey, or lemon cheese, cover with the plain slices, and cut into small shapes.

Coat with batter and fry in deep hot fat until crisp and golden brown. Drain and serve at once as fritters into the mixture.

Do not fry too many at once as this cools the fat down, too much, and remember to re-heat the mixture over to until a faint blue smoke can be seen between each batch.

For haddock and oyster fritters, make a thick, white sauce with one ounce of flour, one ounce of butter,

and a quarter of a pint of milk. Stir into it about six ounces of cooked smoked haddock (finely flaked), and season to taste with pepper, salt, and a few drops of anchovy essence.

Spread the mixture on a plate and leave until cool. When cold divide into six or eight portions, form into balls enclosing an oyster in each one. Coat with batter and fry until golden brown.

Savoury Varieties—To make savoury fritters you will require minced meat or fish (any kind), mashed potato, seasoning, frying butter.

Mash the potato smoothly with a little milk and butter and form it into small, round cakes. Place a spoonful of the prepared meat or fish (or cheese) in the centre, season to taste, then draw the potato over the filling to form a ball. Dip in batter and fry until nicely brown. Drain and serve very hot.

Souffle Fritters—These are rather different, they are not coated with batter, but made as follows:—Dissolve two ounces of butter in a saucepan, stir in four ounces of flour and mix thoroughly, then add the one and a half gill of water very gradually.

Stir over the heat until the mixture leaves the sides of the pan, then remove from the heat and mix in one ounce of caster sugar. When cool beat in three yolks of eggs and a few drops of flavouring essence. Allow to stand for a time. Just before cooking whisk up the whites of the eggs and fold them lightly into the mixture.

Take up the mixture a spoonful at a time—make a hollow in the centre and put in a little jam or jelly, draw the mixture over to cover the filling, then drop into hot fat and fry until golden brown.

Drain and serve very hot, dredged with sugar.

Edith Rhodes

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Shapely Ankles And Wrists

ANKLES are always very noticeable, so they should receive due attention.

If you want to have slim and shapely ankles, never wear shoes with a heel less than an inch high. Heel-less shoes also tend to develop flat feet.

Avoid flat-footedness in every way, not only as regards shoes but in regard to movement. Never walk in a flat-footed way, with knees sagging, and stiff, wooden feet plonking down like inanimate objects. Feet should have suppleness and movement in them. The knees should stretch well at every step, the feet should be thrown well forward, and the instep and whole foot should be supple.

Proper walking has a direct and immediate effect on the ankles. You may feel a little self-conscious at first if you decide to perfect your walking, but just as you actually walk without thinking anything about it, so you will, in time, walk correctly without thinking anything about it.

Incidentally, whatever you do to improve your ankles will have a direct effect on calves, too.

Stretching Exercises

Further, use your instep and toes as much as possible. Get into the habit of stretching your instep at every opportunity, when you are taking a single step forward, when you are getting on and off buses, or during any other suitable movement. Walk and stand on your toes whenever you can as when going upstairs, and down, while cleaning windows, and so on. It all helps to distribute the muscles of the whole leg in the most desirable way.

And here is an excellent exercise for improving the ankles. Stretch the leg out. Point the toes as far forward as possible. Then, keeping the leg and ankle motionless, move the foot up, side, down, and up again in a perfect circle and stretching it as much as possible. Do this to each foot for about exercise, not only for the ankles, but for the whole leg.

Rising and sinking on the toes is also good for ankles, as is also any form of exercise like skipping and running, where you have to rise on the toes. Kneading and pressing the ankles firmly with the fingers is another aid to slowness.

For Supple Wrists

And now for the wrists. One of the best exercises for keeping the wrists supple and slim is flapping of the hands. Lift both arms up to about a level with your chest, and with your elbows bent. Keeping the wrists and the rest of the arms as stiff as possible, flap the hands alone up and down very vigorously and loosely. Do this until you begin to tire, then rest and continue.

Rotating the hand, without moving the wrist and arm, is another good exercise. Gripping each wrist very hard with the hand of the other then pressing, also helps to make the shape slim.

Lastly, unless you happen to be a professional weight-lifter or acrobat, do not lift very heavy things. This develops ugly wrist bones, and the practice is quite often injurious to your interior organs. Abnormal feats of strength not only tend to spoil the shape of the figure, but are distinctly harmful to health, harmony, and balance.

You will not acquire beautiful ankles and wrists in a day, but if you persevere you will definitely see a pleasing improvement.

Anne Morris

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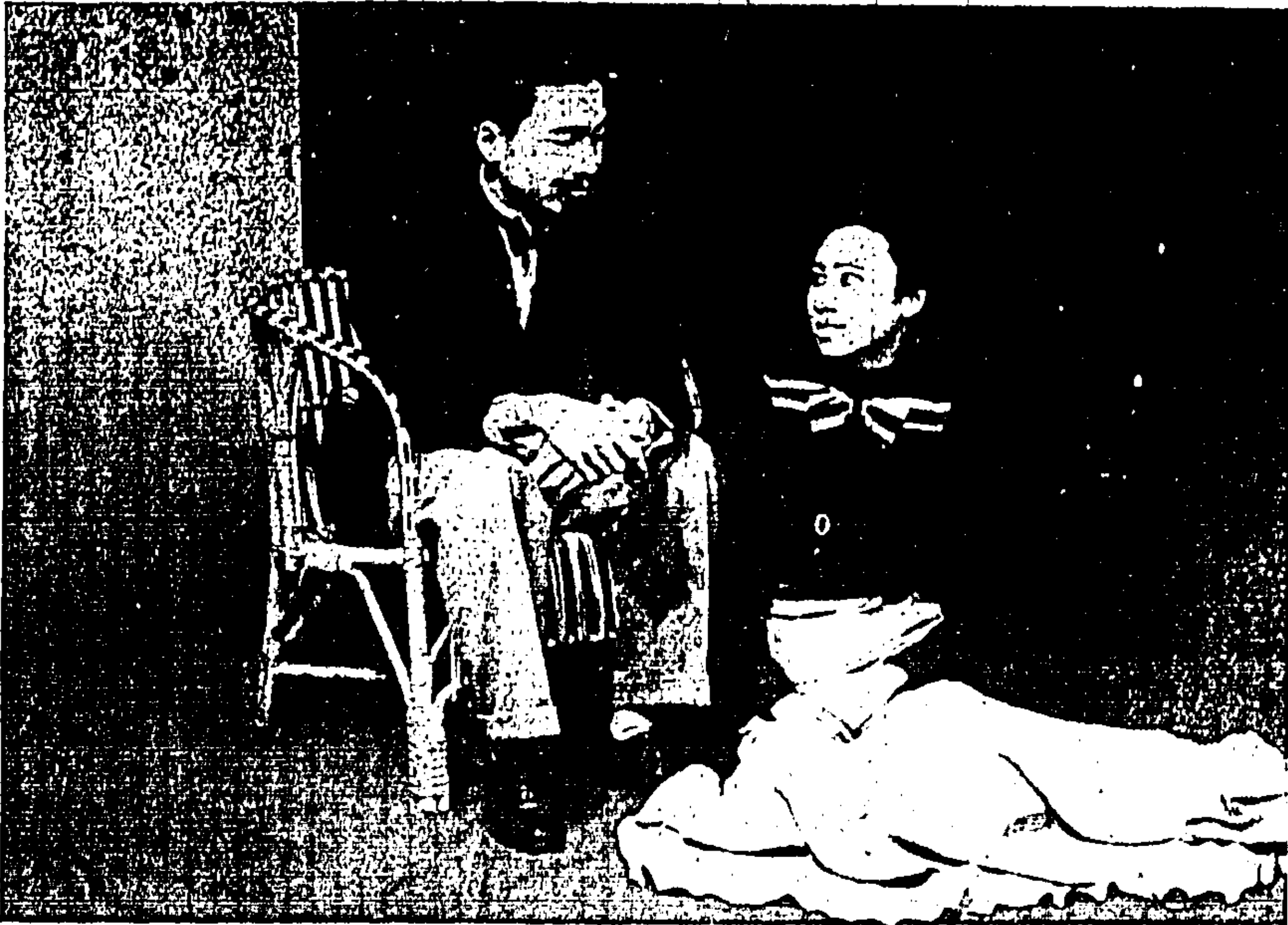


NEWS OF THE DAY
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FROM FAR AND NEAR

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HAPPENINGS
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THE CAMERA'S EYE

Local Events in Pictures



Mr. Wu Hui-tak (Mr. Crampton) and Miss Roso Pau (Gloria) as they will appear in the University Arts Association production, "You Never Can Tell".



At right, Mrs. A. E. Grasett presenting a cup to Mrs. Clifford, ladies tennis singles champion of the Colony.—Newphoto.



The Band, Pipes and Drums of the 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots playing "Retreat" at the Hongkong Cricket Club.—Mee Cheung.

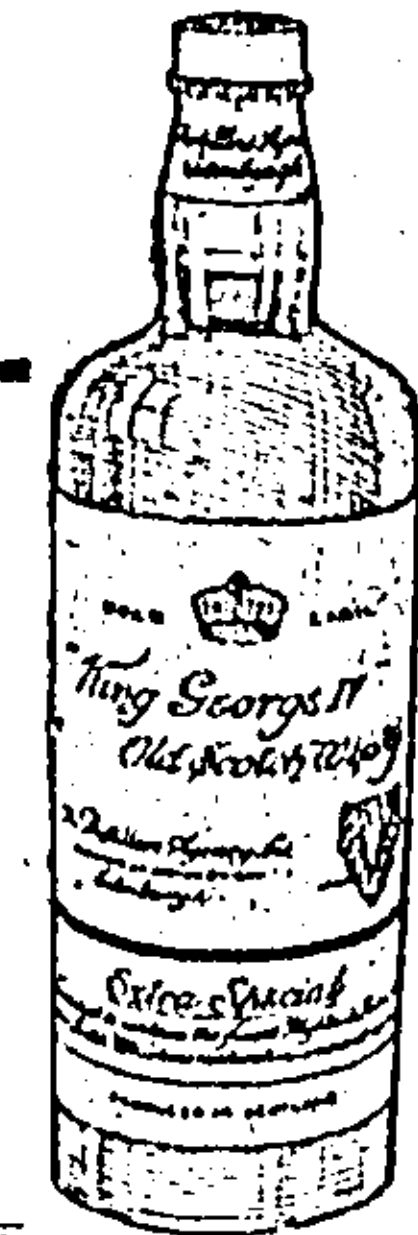
At left, Miss Roso Pau (Gloria) and Mr. L. Sung (Valentino) in G. B. Shaw's play "You Never Can Tell".



Group photograph taken at the recent Garrison Sergeants' Mess Ball at the Peninsula Hotel.—Ming Yuen.

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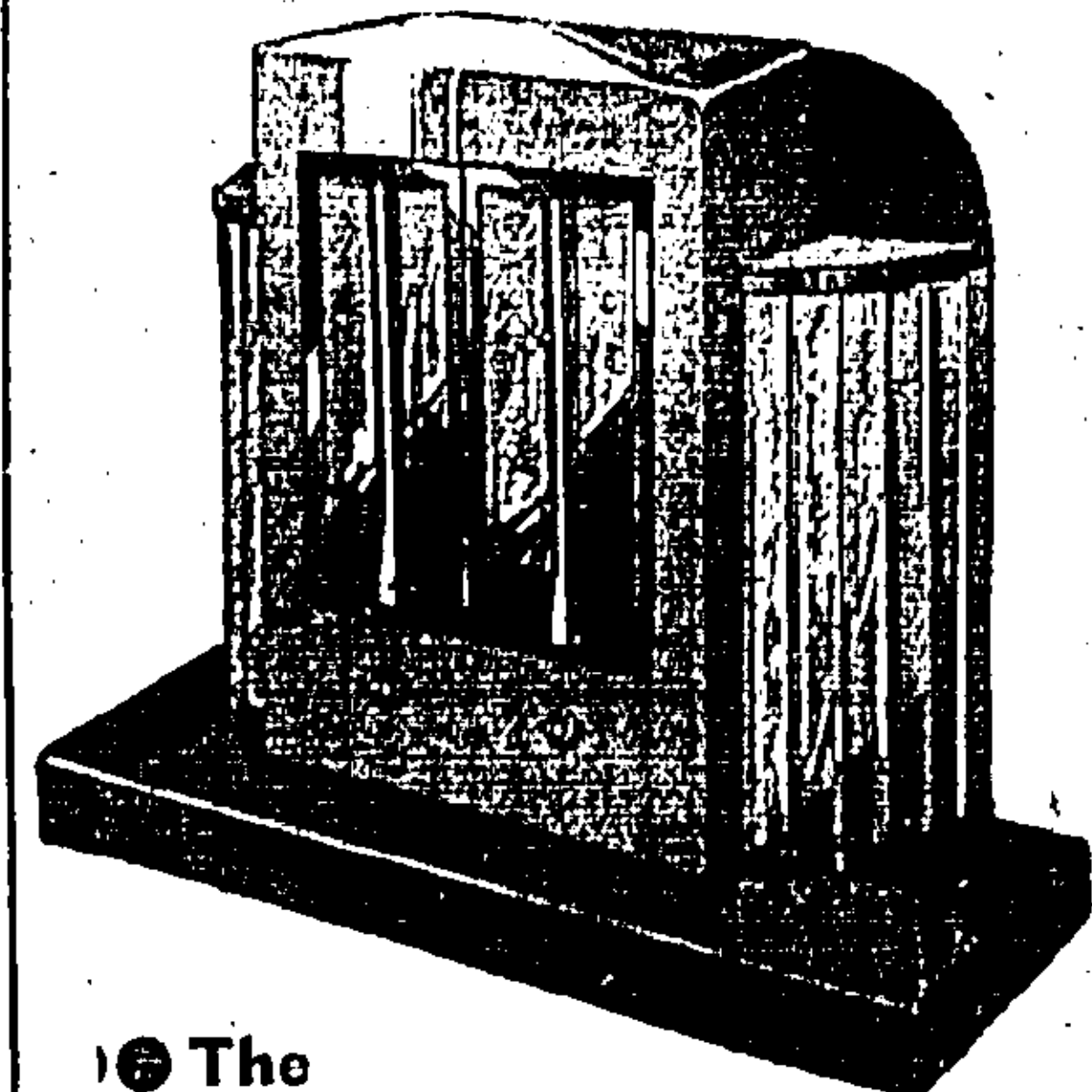
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BADMINTON NOTES

FOUR TEAMS VIE FOR LEAGUE HONOURS IN "B" DIVISION

Quickening Interest Since The New Year

(By "The Bird")

THE badminton season has now gained a quickened rhythm, and with league matches on five nights this week, and the preliminary arrangements for the championships discussed at a meeting of the Association's Council last evening, the game has taken on a perceptible impetus since the start of the new year. While the championships threaten to take pride of place during next month, at present league struggles remain the chief attraction, and in more than one division the contest for honours has sharply become accentuated.

REFERENCE to current leagues show that in the "B" Division, recent results, far from clarifying the competition for premier honours, have made it even more intense. While St. John's Cathedral, the champions, have suffered two losses, and have undoubtedly jeopardised their prospects, it would be stupid to regard them as being out of the running. That being so, one must also recognise the outside chances of Chung Wah, who have also dropped only four points from six matches. In fact, I am probably doing Chung Wah an injustice when I describe their championship chances as "outside," for one has to bear in mind that their latest victory of 5-4 was scored over Recrelo, who recently had the distinction of taking points from St. John's, and even at their poorest, are a team dangerous to any opposition.

IT is not unreasonable, therefore, to regard the "B" Division as open to one of four teams—Kowloon Tong "A," who have the handsome record of seven matches won out of seven played, St. Andrew's "A," who have dropped two points in nine games, and St. John's and Chung Wah, both of whom have won two matches. Kowloon Tong are obviously the best placed of the lot, but they have some stiff matches ahead, and if they come through them unbeaten, they will be very, very worth watching. The team is a good one, to that fact any "B" Division side will fervently testify, yet several close observers believe that they are vulnerable, particularly when visiting. Although St. Andrew's still have to visit Kowloon Tong and the Cathedral, I cannot help possessing a sneaking feeling that they will eventually emerge as the victors. The team, as it is at present, is so finely blended that it is really capable of holding its own very well in more exacted company than it meets in the junior division. The deciding strength of the side is the power of the third pair, which has proved itself capable of turning a match in favour of its team.

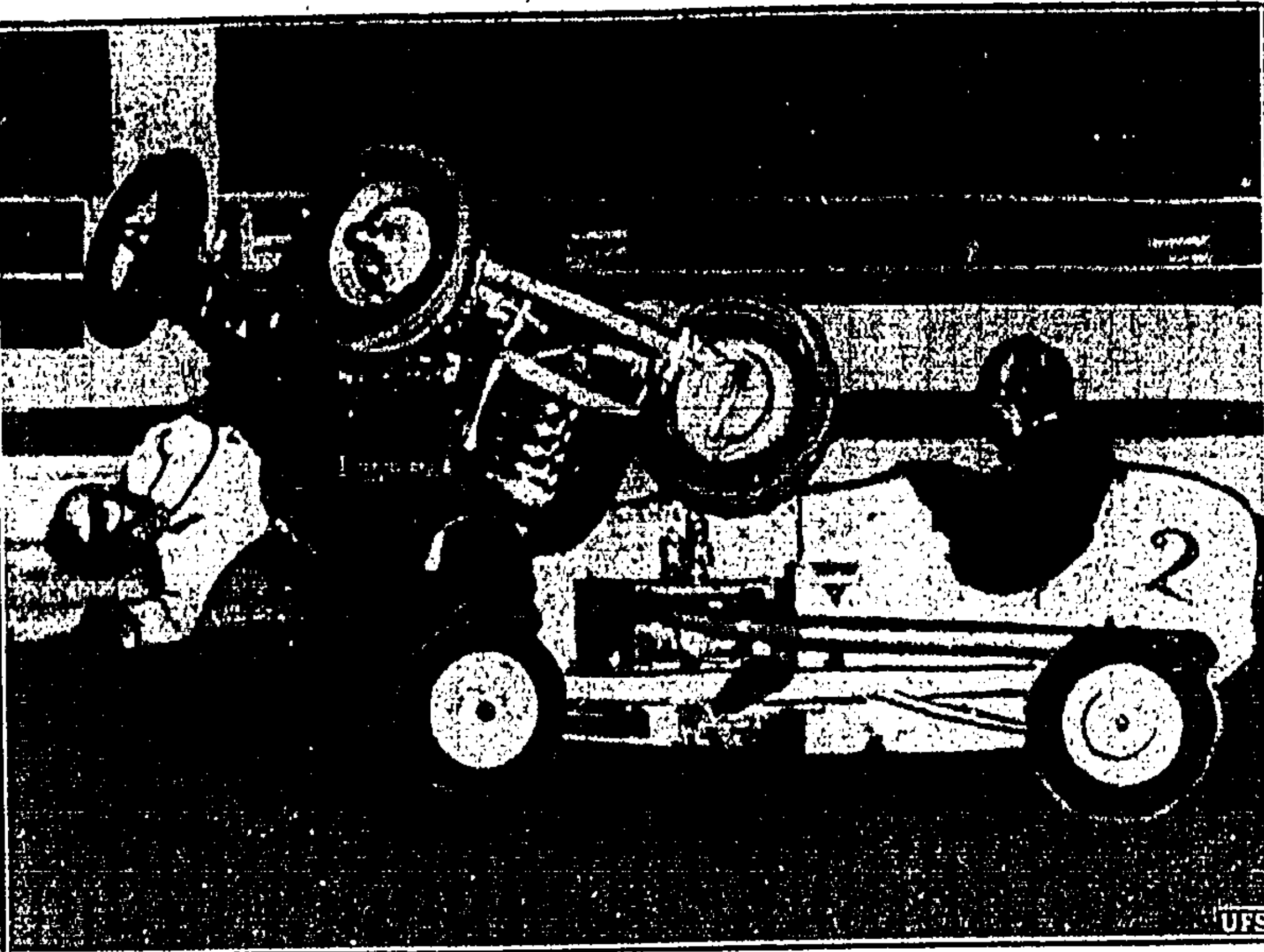
WHILE most eyes have been centred on the fascinating "B" Division contest, many have lost sight of the fact that, thanks to their brilliant victory over the champions early this month, University have practically assured themselves of a

play-off with Recrelo for the mixed doubles title. Incidentally this defeat, by the odd game, was, I believe, the first ever suffered by Club de Recrelo since they entered the mixed doubles league four years ago. For the distinction of lowering the Recrelo's proud record, the University owed most to P. K. Hui, the Colony's champion, who, teaming with Miss J. Choo, won all three games against the otherwise finest mixed doubles combinations in the Colony. It was an achievement par excellence, and it means that at the close of the schedule, badminton fans can look forward to a thrilling play-off for the championships. So far as the Varsity was concerned, the result was all the more sweeter because in the opening match of the season they had a dreadful tumble against the Recrelo on the King's Park club's court, losing all nine games.

MEANTIME, the "A" Division programme has more or less marked time, with Chinese Y.M.C.A. lagging behind in their schedule. But at the moment is a short one, this slight tardiness in disposing of matches is not yet a serious problem. At the moment the University "A" head the league, having won all games. They have been conceded a further two points by their junior team, and everything really hinges on the outcome of their pending games with Chinese Y.M.C.A., who also are unbeaten to date.

LAST night's meeting of the Council decided not only to organise the Colony championships next month, but to introduce an innovation in the shape of a ladies tournament and a men's singles junior championship. This decision was made in the first place in deference to a letter received from lady players requesting the inclusion of a competition for them in the open championships. The Council felt that this was a sufficient intimation that the gentler sex would support an event well enough to justify its inclusion in the programme, and thus the competitive game in Hongkong takes another step forward with the first women's open championship yet staged. The junior championship for men's singles arose from a suggestion put forward at the meeting, in which it was argued, with a considerable amount of truth, that junior players were not encouraged to enter the singles when they knew they would be coming against the Colony's leading exponents. However, although a junior championship has been created, it is dependent upon sufficient events being received for the senior, the minimum number for which was fixed at ten. Should less than 10 enter for the senior event, the two will be merged into one as hitherto, and the juniors will once again have to take pot-luck with the seniors. It should be pointed out that junior players are entitled to enter for both events if they so desire, but that the junior championship (Continued on Page 13.)

What A Fine Mess These Two Got Into!



TO HOSPITAL.—Serious crack-up in the last lap of a midget automobile race in Kansas City, Mo., was caught by the cameraman just as the car flipped over on a turn and hurled driver, Danny Armbruster, of St. Louis, into the path of Dan McCluskey, Kansas City driver. Armbruster was taken to a hospital in a critical condition. In picture he is shown at left, part way out of his seat, as the car points its wheels in the air.

Cricket Notes

OXFORD V. CAMBRIDGE:

A FEW REMARKS ON DANGEROUS STROKES

I must apologise for the above heading, that is, the Editor doesn't cut it out, as it ought to have been the "battle of the blues". However, I am particularly tired of that cliché after all these years. There was an exceedingly good game between the two Universities on Wednesday last, and practically there was nothing in it. Cambridge owed a great deal to Barrow and Captain Whittman, and they lost their last four or five wickets simply getting caught or getting out. They got out Griffiths and Ride made a splendid start for Oxford. The Cambridge captain was under the unfortunate disability of having only two bowlers, McLellan and Lloyd, who were likely to take wickets. He held on batting until 4.10, as the Oxford batting was, at the top, very strong and if he had declared earlier and his bowlers had not come off, he must have lost the match. As it was, if the bowlers name off he could win it comfortably. In the event, Lloyd bowled very well and held an end down the whole time, though he sent down a few loose ones. McLellan unfortunately was completely off, and I have seldom seen him bowl so badly. The field was set well out and Oxford elected to go for the runs in quick singles, and very well they ran. However, after Griffiths had knocked one up to Lloyd, Ride paid the penalty for this quick running as Mann had him out by a yard when attempting a second run. After that there really was nothing in it. It was a very enjoyable game, and it was particularly pleasing to the players as His Excellency the Governor turned out for Oxford. He did not get an innings, but his fielding was excellent.

DANGEROUS STROKES

I do not often refer to articles which I read in local papers by other cricket scribes, but I cannot refrain from a few remarks on an article about dangerous strokes. It appeared in a column next door to Softball notes, and I cannot help thinking it seemed to have strayed out of its place. Everyone who has played cricket seriously knows perfectly well that a batsman has every right to go right across the wicket and hit the ball to the leg. It is quite frequent, especially in Australian cricket I believe, that a batsman is clean bowled by a perfectly straight ball which has passed behind his legs as he has gone right across outside the off stump, and any such stroke is perfectly fair. Furthermore, it is the wicket-keeper's job to dodge the ball if he is standing right up. The batsman has every right to complete his stroke, and if this brings the end of the bat over the back of the stumps the wicket-keeper, unless he is a complete idiot, will have seen what is happening and will either have stepped back or leaped back. One cannot climb onto unfortunate accidents at cricket. The only one stroke I should say that a batsman ought not to make is deliberate hitting at the ball when he is in a position to hit the ball straight over the top of his own wicket, which must necessarily hit the wicket-keeper. It is the sort of thing that would practically never happen, but should there be a "short ball" that a batsman could play this shot, I am convinced he would have ample time and opportunity to play it to the fine leg instead, and I think he should do so.

I observe, with regret, that in this particular article the word "bodyline" was used. The word "bodyline" is only used by Australians, and the M.C.C. repudiated it and called the type of bowling referred to, "leg theory". A tremendous lot of nonsense has been talked about this, and everyone seems to forget that when the two celebrated injuries occurred, Woodfull and Oldfield, both batsmen were plumb in front of their wickets when they were hit. It is a little hard to refer to "bodyline" bowling when the ball is going over the top of the middle stump. Anyone who wishes any further information on this subject might read "In Quest of the Bodyline" by Messrs. Hutchinson & Co. Perhaps I have somewhat gone off the score about this, but I do resent any article which may suggest that cricket is a cissy game in which all chance of personal damage must be eliminated.

TO DAY'S GAMES

To-day the Hongkong Cricket Club's first team play the Civil Service in a League match at Happy Valley. According to the paper they have their strongest side out and may just get home. Their second eleven would have very little difficulty in disposing of the Civil Service on the Club Ground. Craigenower are visiting Kowloon in a League, and should give them a very good game as they appear to be at full strength. I see Billimoria is playing. There is the usual return match of the seconds, but there I do not pretend to know what will happen. The Kowloon second, however, have not been doing too well lately, but I feel sure that the match will be adequately reported by a friend of mine in this paper. According to the card, Recrelo are

PAYNTER SCORES HIS THIRD CENTURY IN TEST SERIES

M. C. C. In Good Position Against South Africans

At the end of the first day's play in the Third Cricket Test between the M.C.C. and South Africa at Durban yesterday, the tourists had scored 373 for the loss of two wickets.

Eddie Paynter, the Lancashire left-hander, scored 197 and was still undefeated at close of play, while Walter Hammond, the English captain, was only one run short of his century.

Rain stopped play twice in the afternoon, the second time with the score at 373 when stumps were drawn.

A crowd of 5,000 saw the start in glorious weather. Winning the toss, Hammond sent Gibb and Hutton in on a wicket perfect for batsmen but the partnership had scored only 38 when Hutton, who had been extremely confident and had made some powerful drives, put his leg in front of a straight one from Gordon and was out for 31. He had batted for 39 minutes and done the bulk of the scoring, for Gibb's contribution was only four. Four shots to the fence were in Hutton's tally.

Paynter joined Gibb, who was most uncomfortable and on the defensive all the time. It took him 70 minutes to reach 13 and he was mildly barked. Paynter, on the other hand, was aggressive and with hard driving had 61 on the board in 52 minutes, good time considering Gibb's tardiness.

The pair were still together when lunch was taken at one for 101 after 105 minutes, Gibb being 28 and Paynter 33.

Paynter's Escape
Paynter brought in his half century in 80 minutes and had a narrow escape from stumping at 54, when he stepped out to drive Langton, but missed. Wade, the wicket-keeper, however, fumbled the ball and Paynter scrambled back into his crease, but strained his leg in doing so.

Wade partially made up for his lapse soon afterwards when he caught a skler when Gibb tried to pull a rising ball from Davis. Gibb had been very restrained and in a total of 38 there had been only two boundary hits and it had taken him 130 minutes.

Two were down for 153 when Hammond joined Paynter, who was playing dashing cricket on the even-paced wicket. He rushed on to his century, gaining it in 14 minutes, aided by 10 shots which hit the fence. The 200 appeared in 102 minutes. Paynter was 119 and Hammond 31 at tea with the score at 161 for two.

ATTACK FLOODED
The two continued to bat steadily, and with grand driving and occasional leg sweeps Hammond completed his 50 in 99 minutes. His best scoring strokes up to this stage were six fours.

Paynter was aggressive and scored all round the wicket. He posted his 150 in 232 minutes, having 13 fours to his credit.

The 250 was put up after the innings had been in progress for 248 minutes, and the 300 in 275 minutes. The partnership put on 100 runs in 112 minutes. The second hundred was very much faster, taking only 42 minutes.

Ambitious Sports Idea In Japan

Thirteen Large Athletic Grounds Planned

Tokyo, Jan. 12. The Japanese Welfare Ministry plans to build a large public sports ground in each of thirteen cities with a population of more than 100,000, to open a thousand Japanese sports training-halls, and to post physical culture advisers at 1,000 municipalities throughout the Empire.

Each of the sports grounds will be over ten acres in area and open to the general public. They will contain softball parks, sun-bathing lots, lawns and other facilities for both young and old. No stands for spectators will, however, be built.—Reuter.

Badminton Result

In the mixed doubles of the badminton league last night, Recrelo beat Taikeo 2-0. W. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat R. Main and Mrs. Mackie 21-15; best A. Kew and Miss R. Summers 11-9; best H. Gillies and Mrs. R. Main 21-10. J. J. Remedios and Miss M. Rubelro beat Main and Mrs. Mackie 21-8; best Kew and Mrs. Main 21-10. C. C. Perera and Miss A. C. Remedios beat Main and Mrs. Mackie 21-17; best Gillies and Mrs. Main 21-17.

Both Paynter and Hammond played a well-set field with the greatest of ease.

Rain stopped play with the English total at 338 and again at 373, at which stage stumps were drawn. Paynter had 197 in his credit and Hammond 100.—Reuter.

Scores:
Hutton, 1.b.w., b Gordon 31
A. P. Gibb, c Wade, b Davis 38
Paynter, not out 197
W. R. Hammond, not out 99
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Total (for 2 wickets) 373

Fall of wickets:—1 (Hutton) for 38; 2 (Gibb) for 153.

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TUG-OF-WAR FOR LEE WAI-TONG'S SERVICES

(By "Abe")

There is a tug-of-war between Shanghai and Hongkong for the services of Lee Wai-tong, the Chinese soccer idol, during the Chinese New Year holidays.

Lee Wai-tong has received information (through a telegram received by Sir Shou-sun Chow) that the matches arranged in Shanghai in aid of the International Relief Committee Fund—in which he has promised to turn out—will be played during the Chinese New Year holidays.

But Hongkong will be entertaining the Manila outfit at the same time, and also wants Lee Wai-tong to turn out in the Colony team.

Furthermore, Mr. Wong Ka-tsun, of South China A.A., also expects Lee to take part in the charity match in aid of the British Fund for War Relief in China to be played on February 26.

The Chinese soccer idol hopes to render his services to both Hongkong and Shanghai, but does not see how he can do so if both ports adhere to the present programme. Therefore he has suggested to Sir Shou-sun

Chow to wire Shanghai asking them to accommodate the Hongkong authorities by postponing their programme to March 4 and 5.

SHANGHAI SCHEME
The Shanghai scheme is being formulated by the Shanghai F.A., officials of the Candrome, and several prominent local Chinese sportsmen among them Mr. Bill Sung, former President of the China National Amateur Athletic Federation. Present plans are to hold two games, both between Chinese and foreign teams. February 20 and 21 are the two dates suggested.

The proposed exhibition series was first suggested by the International Relief Committee as a means to raise funds for refugee work. The co-operation of the Candrome, in allowing the series to be held on their ground, and the approval of the Shanghai F.A., made it possible to arrange the series.

NANCY



Splendid Rugby Promised On Club Ground

Lai Wah Cup Matches Chief Interest In Football Programme

(By "Abel")

Chief interest in local soccer over the week-end will be the two Lai Wah Cup matches. One, between the Civilians and the Army, will be played this afternoon on the Kowloon F.C. ground, and the other, between the Chinese and Navy, will be decided tomorrow on the Club ground.

Both matches will start at 3.30 p.m. In to-day's match, two Army players, Watson and Grogan, of the Middlesex Regiment, who have been turning out in many representative matches during their stay in the Colony, will be playing for the last time here. They are proceeding to England next week.

Both are great favourites with the crowd and there is little doubt that they will be missed when they are gone. Their departure will be a distinct loss to local football. Both would have excellent chances of getting into the Hongkong Interport team against Manila if they were available.

The teams in to-day's game would appear to be well-matched, but it will surprise me if the soldiers do not get through in spite of the fact that there are a few names in the side unfamiliar to followers of senior soccer. The Civilians' defence will

not be strong enough if the military forwards get going.

CHINESE WEAKENED

Unfortunately for the Chinese, the South China A.A. footballers who toured in time to make the field against the Navy to-morrow. But the Chinese have so many players from whom to choose that they have had no difficulty in assembling together an eleven, who will give the Navy a good run for their money. Lee Wai-tong will lead the side, and amongst those available are Leung Wing-chiu, Hau King-shing, Tam Kwan-kon and Hau Ching-to, who form the nucleus of the side.

Because some of the ships are now away, the Navy cannot field their full side; but there are enough of the regular players left to make them a most difficult team to beat. The teams for the Lai Wah Cup matches are as follows:

Civilians.—Coles (Club); Parker

HOCKEY TEAMS FOR TO-DAY

The following will represent the C.B.A. Ladies in their Caer Clark Cup and Brown Cup hockey matches against the Hongkong Ladies and Reccelo "A" respectively to-day.

Against Hongkong Ladies on C.B.A. ground at 2.45 p.m.—D. Moss; P. Whitley, P. Everest; M. Parsons, I. Woolley, J. Booker; D. Hunt, B. Stoker, M. White, M. Booker and J. Ewing.

Against Reccelo "A" on Reccelo ground at 3 p.m.—P. MacFadyen; L. Dunn, V. Beaumont; A. Webb, C. Bone, N. Duckworth; B. Hunt, J. Crawford, E. Woolley, K. Winch and B. Louis.

(Police), Ulrich (Kowloon); North (Police), Bliss (Kowloon), Honnball (Kowloon); Pile (Police), Jorge (Kowloon), Fowler (Club), Howlett (Police) and Rierden (Kowloon).

Reserves.—Allen (Police), Eastman (Kowloon), Brittain (Police), W. Knox and Moss.

Army.—Hardy, Watson and Sheehan; Winstanley, Proctor and Wilkinson; Grogan, Courtney, Munton, Saw and Calvert.

Reserves.—Jackson, Fraser, Rides, Guy, McCullum and Flanders.

Navy.—Hazard; Betts, Still, Honeywell, Dixon, Fisher, Armstrong, Spiller, Hendry, Thoburn and Hunt.

Chinese.—Tam Kwan-kon; Ho Yung-sang and Lo Wai-keun; Soong Ling-shing, Leung Wing-chiu and Hau King-seng; Chan Bing-to, Cheuk Shek-kam, Lee Wai-tong, Chow Mon-chi and Hau Ching-to.

International Games In Nature Of Colony Trial For Interport

(By "Fly-Half")

This afternoon, the winners of the first round of the International Rugby Tournament—England and Scotland—will meet in what promises to be a very exciting match. This game, which will start at 4 p.m., will be preceded by a struggle between the losers in last week's series, Wales and Ireland, who will do their utmost to avoid the wooden spoon.

An incentive for the players to give of their best will be the presence of the selectors for the Colony side to play All-Malaya on February 11. The selectors, after the afternoon's games, will pick the men to play in the Possibles and Probables trial game, after which the Colony team will be picked. One might almost term to-day's fixtures a preliminary trial.

The Wales v. Ireland match, which is scheduled to start at 2.45 p.m., should prove to be an equal struggle with hard going rather than clever play predominating. Both teams show changes from last week's turnout. The inclusion of D. Hyne in the Irish back division should add to their attacking powers as also should Ellis's selection. The latter is a neat player who possesses a lot of grit.

WELSH CHANGES

The Welsh team shows a change at full-back where Lewis replaces Daires. Hopkins is moved from inside-three to wing-three, a position in which he is more accustomed to play. The halves are a new combination in Lt. Ham and Lt. Chapman. A new hooker is played in Staples, who replaces Witherden, the regular Navy player. This would appear to weaken the Welsh chances of gaining a monopoly of the ball in the tight scrums. Stark, the big Club forward, is to play in the back row. His height should be of advantage for the line-outs whilst much should be seen of him in the loose.

The Scottish team shows no changes and will have to obtain a good advantage amongst the forwards to minimise the strength which England appears to possess behind the scrum. The England players for to-day include three new men in comparison with last week's team.

STEVENS DROPS OUT

Stevens, who is in a class of his own as far as full backs are concerned in this Colony, has dropped out; his place is to be taken by Lt. Catlow, who is a very representative rugby player here. Bosanquet takes the place of Chadwick, a fellow Club player, as outside to Bidwell. He is an evasive runner with good turn of speed. Elliott still elects to rest, so England are fortunate in having such a capable substitute in Lang to fill the stand-off half position. The latter was outstanding in last Saturday's game against Ireland. Sales is available for this afternoon's game and should greatly increase England's chances of getting the ball back to the three. Danger will threaten Scotland every time either Bidwell or Askwith gains possession.

Much will depend on Scotland's back row forwards and halves. If should these players prevent the ball from getting out to the English three, they will have gone a long way to give their side victory. In Anderson and Crawford, Scotland possesses two dashing wing forwards who are generally well up with the play. Incidentally, Crawford is a brother of the Scottish International.

Talbot and Henderson will resume

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By Order of the Stewards, C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1939.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 5)

reveller—revelry—meridian

revivable—ambulatory—lumpy

their tussles and should both hold their own. Hutchison, a keen tackler, will have to keep a careful watch on the long-striding Lang. Both teams are strong in attack with acknowledged weakness in defence. Neither side will obtain any advantage from their wing three who are all first-rate men and well-matched.

England.—Lt. Catlow (Medway); D. I. Bosanquet (Club), H. D. Bidwell (Club) (Captain), P. O. Askwith (Daintly), Lt. Walters (Medway); Sgt. Lang (R.A.O.C.), Lt. Talbot (Medway); Spr. Appley (R.E.), K. W. Salter (Club), Gnr. Evans (5th A.A.), Pte. Berry (Mdxs.), W. E. Peers (Club), Lt. Ogilvie (Medway), Lt. D'Oyly (R.S.) and J. Redman (Club).

Scotland.—J. T. Brown (Club); D. H. Stewart (Club), W. E. Grieve (Club), L/C. Boe (R.S.), F. O. Thomas (Eagle); J. Hutchison (Club), J. R. Henderson (Club); Lt. Cuthbertson (R.S.) (Captain), J. S. Dunnett (Club), K. A. Watson (Club), L/C. Sutherland (R.S.), Pte. Coombe (R.S.), Lt. Anderson (Medway), A. J. G. Taylor (Club) and Lt. Crawford (R.C.S.).

Ireland.—M. W. McGrath (Club); H. van Leeuwen (Club), D. Hyne (Club), Surg. Lt. Ellis (Medway), L. S. Stead (Eagle); Lt. Potter (Mdxs.), Lt. Drew-Wilkinson (R.S.); Pte. Bourne (R.A.O.C.), Lt. Cdr. Browne (Medway) (Captain), Pte. Richardson (Sentinels), E. W. Stout (Club), Sub. Lt. Han (Eagle), L/Sgt. Page (5th A.A.), Lt. St. John (Medway) and Ldg. Tel. Swan (Eagle).

Wales.—Cpl. Lewis (8th Heavy); Bdr. Freer, (8th Heavy), Gnr. Richards (8th Heavy), E. R. A. Swadlow (Eagle), H. F. Hopkins (Club); Lt. R. E. Hopkins (Club), Chapman (Medway), Lt. Widdien (Club) (Captain), Shipwright Staples (Eagle), Lt. Griffin (Medway), Bdr. Bevan (8th Heavy), Lt. Boddington (Medway), Gnr. Hall (8th Heavy), C. M. Stark (Club) and Bdr. Whitehead (8th Heavy).

Four Teams Vie For Top Honours

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slip is open only to players other than those who play in the "A" Division of the league.

DETAILS of the championship programme have yet to be determined by a sub-committee appointed for the task, but one can expect confidently that the schedule of previous years will act as guide for the 1939 tournament, and that entries will be invited for men's singles and doubles, as well as mixed doubles, and of course, additionally for women's doubles. Once again every effort will be made to stage as many games as possible on neutral courts, and here the warm co-operation of clubs will be vital if this ideal is to be carried out in its entirety. It is obvious that heaviest requests will be made on Reccelo, University, Talkoo, King's College and Kowloon Tong, who host the best of the Colony's courts, and it is to be sincerely hoped that the same spontaneous assistance offered in past years will be repeated this season.

ENDORSEMENT recent sentiments expressed by my colleague "Spectator," may I also emphasise the desirability, almost necessity, of intending competitors sending in their entries at the earliest possible

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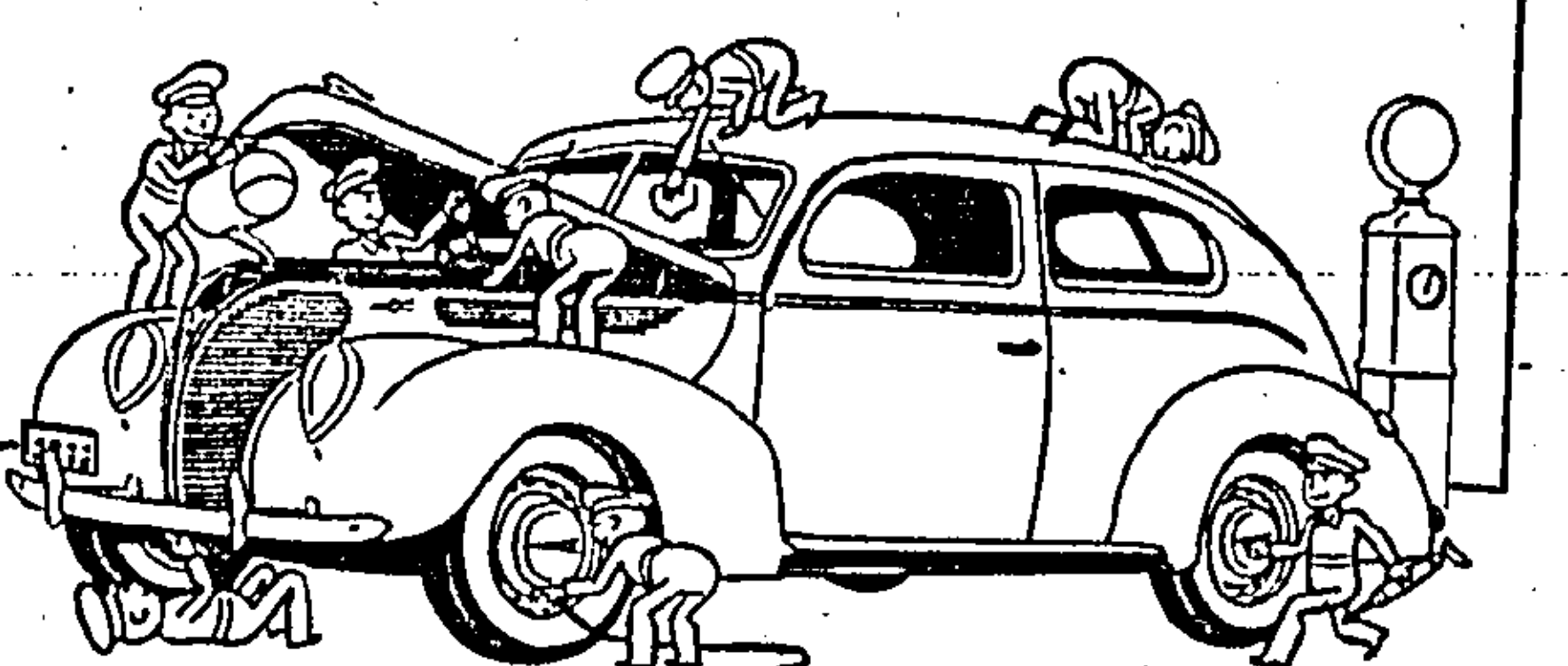
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moment, and not to wait so long that extensions have to be offered to induce players to take part. Every body who intends to participate should have made up his or her mind even by now, and therefore it classes as nothing more than courtesy and thoughtlessness if competitors neglect to make their entries until after the official closing date. As "Spectator" pointed out, what is needed is for the organisers of events such as Colony championships to refuse to make extensions and to close the entry lists at the advertised time even though it means a poorly supported competition. Perhaps the Badminton Association will assert itself, if need be, in this direction this year. There is positively no excuse for late entries, and if competitors only realised that it was to their own benefit to get their entries in as early as possible, perhaps this juggling behind would not be so frequent. Anyhow, there's hoping there will be a record entry and a tournament of thrills and awe, surpassing previous champions.

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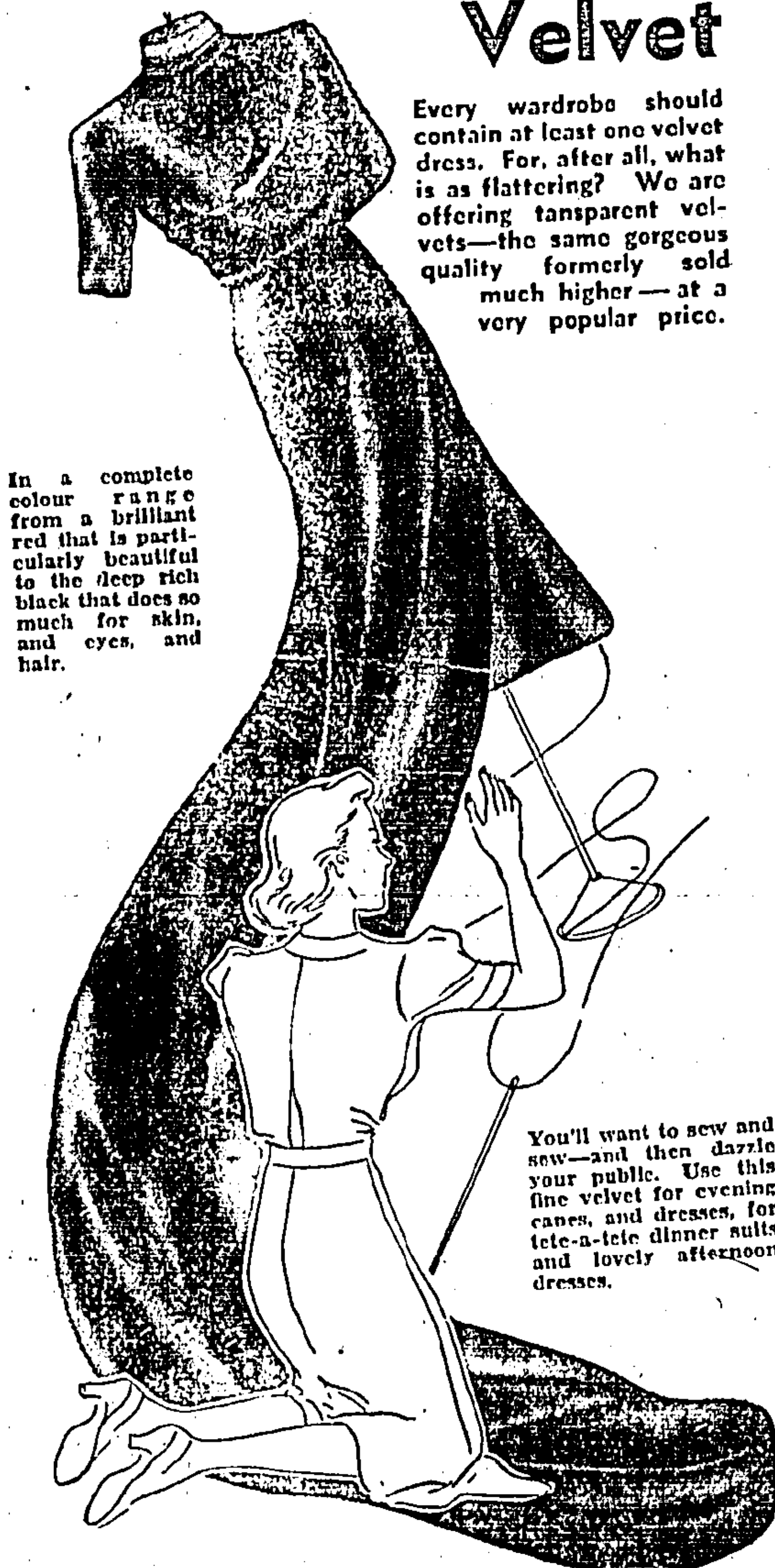
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ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY

Governor and Lady Northcote At Englishmen's Annual Ball

Beefeaters and the Red Tudor Rose were the prevailing note at the Peninsula Hotel yesterday evening, when the annual Ball of the local St. George's Society was held with all its old-time custom and ceremonial.

H.E. the Governor and Lady Northcote were the guests of the President, the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, at a dinner attended by leading citizens and officials in surroundings redolent of ancient cities and honoured crests.

To this atmosphere the excellent decorations contributed to a great extent, but the menu, the popular venue "George and the Dragon", and the costumed ushers, were in keeping with traditional English feasts.

A large number of members of the Society and their guests attended the function, and were unanimous in congratulating the Decorations Committee on the fine result they had achieved. The facade of the Hotel was floodlit in red and across it in gigantic letters glowed the words "St. George for England."

When the Yeomen with their flat hats and long pikes had been admiringly passed, the dancers found themselves in the Rose Room and the Roof Garden, hung with the crests of famous English cities. Pinques of Tudor roses lined the walls, and from the centre of the ceiling was suspended a magnificent picture of a fifteenth century ship in full sail.

The dais was magnificently displayed, with furniture draped with the banners of St. George, whilst behind it a large figure of the Patron Saint stood out in sharp relief between the flags of St. George. The crest of the City of London was adorned with the red, white and blue ensigns, and the tableau was floodlit to show it to the best effect.

On the first floor, where the President entertained his party, suitable decorations had also been prepared, the place of honour being given to the Crest of Oxford from which City the President hailed.

In the supper room there was another large figure of the Patron Saint. The chief bar bore the familiar sign "George and the Dragon," and was hung with pictures of beauty spots and traditional scenes of England.

The following cities were represented in the decoration: London, Oxford, Shrewsbury, Southampton, Bristol, Chatham, Carlisle, Windsor, Welverhampton, Winchester, Hull, Leicester, Bournemouth, Dover, Ipswich, Lancaster, Burton on Trent, Hanley, Brighton, Birkhead, Bir-

mingham, Leeds, Malsdon, Bath, Gravesend, Penzance, Hereford, Bradford, Grantham, Hastings, Liverpool, Cambridge, Devonport, Wakefield, Warrington, Westminster, Harrogate, Doncaster, Guildford, Plymouth, Worcester, Swindon, St. Helens, Ilfracombe, Rimm, Nottingham, Dewsbury, Blackpool, Northampton, Derby.

Dinner Party

The President's dinner party was held on the first floor, when the following were present: His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote, His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor and Lady MacGregor, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Southard, Commodore and Mrs. E. B. C. Dicken, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Mrs. Smith and Miss R. Smith, Brigadier and Mrs. A. B. Thomson, Sir Vandeleur Grayburn and Miss Grayburn, Col. and Mrs. N. M. S. Irwin, Capt. C. B. Barry, R.N., and Mrs. Barry, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Potter, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. B. Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. E. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. MacGregor, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kay, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Taggart, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Winter, Mrs. D. Wardle, Mr. P. A. Cox, Miss R. Vickers, The Hon. Mr. Dodwell, Mr. R. K. Valentine, Mr. R. Gunner, R.N., Mr. David Humphreys, Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith, Lieut. J. P. Gunner, R.N., Mr. G. Trevorton, Mr. C. Sommerfelt.

The toast to England was proposed by the Hon. Mr. Dodwell, who said: "When Kipling wrote those five verses in his 'Actions and Reactions' which he called 'The Puzzle', he must have written them especially for the benefit of the Presidents of St. George's Societies for these occasions, to help them break the ice, and put our Scottish, our Welsh, and our Eire-ish guests, as well as

our guests from Ulster, in a happy and contented frame of mind. Most of you will remember them:

"The Celt in all his variants from Balth to Ballyho."

His mental processes are plain—one knows what he will do, And can logically predicate his finish by his start."

But the English—ah, the English—they are quite a race apart. Their psychology is bovine, their outlook crude and raw.

They abandon vital matters to be tickled with a straw.

But the straw that they were tickled with—the chaff that they were fed with—

They convert into a weaver's beam to break their foe's head with.

For democratic reasons and for motives not of State.

They arrive at their conclusions—largely inarticulate.

Being void of self-expression they confide their views to none.

But sometimes in a smoking-room, one learns why things were done.

Yes, sometimes in a smoking-room, through clouds of "Ers" and "Ums",

Obliquely and by inference illumination comes.

On some step that they have taken, or some action they approve—Embellished with the argot of the Upper Fourth Remove.

In telegraphic sentences, half noided to their friends.

They hint a matter's inwardness—and there the matter ends.

And while the Celt is talking from Valencia to Kirkwall,

The English—ah, the English—don't say anything at all!"

Out of Ireland

And now of course you will all expect the President "being void of self-expression", to sit down without further ado.

Unfortunately for you all, years ago, in the dim and distant past, my forebears were turfed out of Ireland (as it was then called) either for being too much for or too much against the Government—

which, has never been clear—and I seem to have inherited a dash of Irish which has rendered me slightly less inarticulate than the average Englishman, particularly when sur-

rounded by so many friendly Celts, all securely muzzled. (Laughter.) Kipling realised, when he wrote those lines, that the beginning of all wisdom in people and in nations is to be able to laugh at themselves. It is a gift so precious that if only the Almighty had distributed it equally amongst all nations, we should have been spared much of the trouble in the world to-day, and that Utopian relationship, called the Brotherhood of Nations, would have emerged long ago from the land of make-believe into the realms of reality.

No English of course have the faculty developed to a very high degree, but not by any means to the same extent as our Scottish neighbours. They have reduced it to such a fine art that the thousand and one stories the Aberdonians tell about themselves not only provide a fund of amusement for all of us, but are gradually eradicating the very trait in the Scottish character they ridicule. At least, that is my experience, having so many large-hearted, broad-minded Scottish friends in the Colony.

Of all the stories emanating from Aberdeen, perhaps the best is the sequel to Sandy MacTherson's visit to London to see a specialist about his heart. You all know, of course, how Sandy booked from station to station

in case his heart gave out on the way up to London. When he arrived in London, Sandy was warned by a friend that the specialist's fee was five guineas for the first visit and two guineas for subsequent ones, with the result that Sandy entered the specialist's consulting room in that jaunty debonaire manner so characteristic of the Aberdonian, and brandishing two guineas, greeted the specialist with a cheery "Here we are again, Doc."

The specialist eyed him suspiciously, but nevertheless overhauled Sandy with meticulous care, and then pocketing the two guineas, told him to carry on with the treatment he had recommended on his first visit. The specialist also hailed from Aberdeen! (Laughter.)

Ever since the honour of the Presidency was conferred upon me, I have spent many a long weary hour in the Club Library (Laughter)—not, as you surmise, in the armchairs—but in the archives, searching for something to the credit of our Patron Saint, with which to refute the libellous statements made about him by some of my predecessors. Unhappily, my search was unavailing. It disclosed that St. Andrew, St. Patrick and St. David are all well established in mythology, if not in history, as godly men, but all the evidence points to St. George having really been the somewhat dissolute fellow of the adventurer type that my predecessors described him. Nevertheless, with that innate contrariness of us astonishing English, we adopted him, and who shall say

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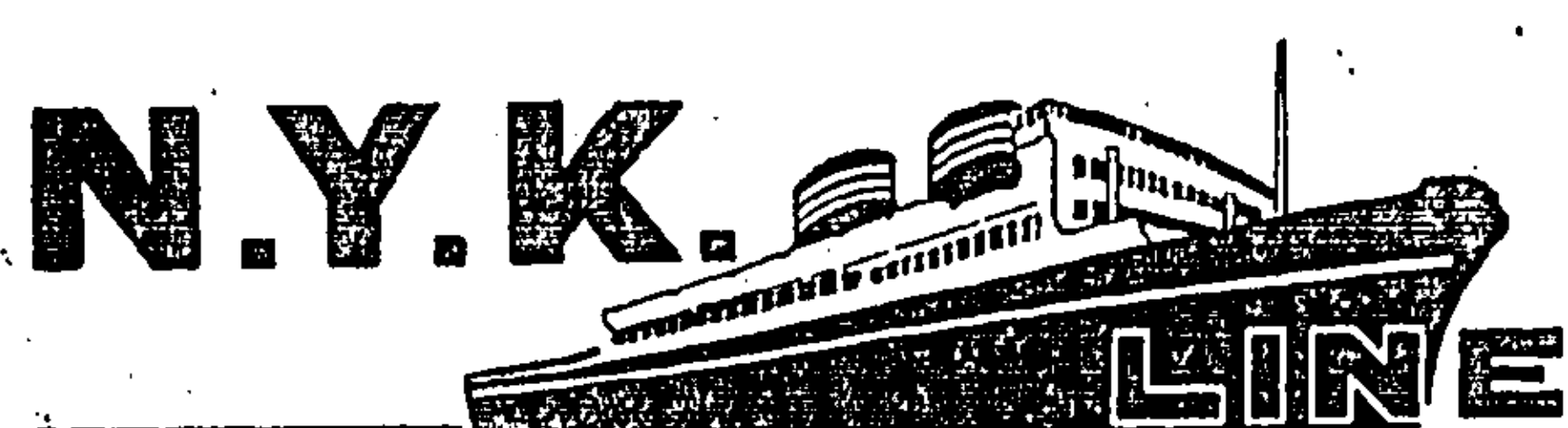
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*Atago Maru	Saturday, 25th Feb.
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*Toyama Maru	Thursday, 26th Jan.
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ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY

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our judgment was at fault? He has slain our dragons for us throughout the ages, and will continue to slay them provided that we see to it that his armour is the best we can provide, up-to-date and fit in every way to cope with the dragons of to-day.

World's Dragons

For, strange as it may seem, in these enlightened, highly civilized days, with their much vaunted standard of culture and education, the world's dragons are a far more fearsome breed than ever they were in the ignorant days of chivalry.

But Patron Saints have other uses than merely slaying dragons. A really popular Patron Saint is a great national asset, especially to democracies, for often quite a lot of wise and far-sighted things can be done in the name of a popular Patron Saint that cannot be done under some of the disabilities of democracies. For often quite a lot of wise and far-sighted things can be done in the name of a popular Patron Saint that cannot be done under some of the disabilities of democracies. For often quite a lot of wise and far-sighted things can be done in the name of a popular Patron Saint that cannot be done under some of the disabilities of democracies.

Curiously enough, on New Year's Eve, a little incident occurred which raised my hopes that at last she was beginning to recognise her responsibilities in this matter. I had just arrived at the Peak Club fancy dress dance, disguised as a Turkish diplomat, complete with harem. (Laughter.) I was pondering, amidst all the merriment, over what 1939 might have in store for us, when to my astonishment my hand was warmly shaken by a figure representing the very embodiment of my idea of what America's Patron Saint should look like. It turned out to be none other than Addison Southard, America's popular Consul-General, who modestly protested that he was merely Friar Tuck. I shall always refuse to believe him and continue to regard that coincidence as one of the happiest omen. (Laughter.)

Of course, I do not presume to know whether this distinguished son of America is really seeking such drastic promotion. (Laughter)—but from our point of view, America might search a long time and not find a more worthy candidate. Admittedly, for our peculiar taste, he is probably not quite discoloured enough. (Laughter)—but on the other hand he is undoubtedly the adventurer type. Having served his country in so many parts of the world, we could count upon him not to bury himself away in saintly isolation in some remote corner of the Middle West, sitting on a fence waiting to see what happens to the rest of the world. (Laughter.)

Our American friends might think over my suggestion of a Patron Saint. It's not so fantastic as it sounds, and of one thing at least they may be sure. St. George would extend to him a cordial welcome into the ranks of the Calendar of Saints.

New Year Message

In conclusion, let me make my peace with those more serious-minded members of our Society, who expect from their President an intelligent and considered comment on world affairs, and have been so bitterly disappointed. I make them my apologies, but I'm afraid, in no repentant mood. I would remind them that our sense of humour, our ability to maintain it and keep smiling, no matter what the conditions, has always been our greatest asset in times of trouble and always will be. I therefore, echo His Excellency's New Year message. Let us lift up our hearts. Let us, if we want to, go to the "Gripes" and have a good time, provided always that we also come to that other kind of grips—to grips with realities. For it is in our history that the member of the Empire can afford to under-rate the grave responsibilities imposed upon every one of us by the difficulties of the times we live in. Unhappily, not all the dragons of to-day are outside our own domains. Far too many of them are within it, and perhaps the two most subtle and dangerous of them all are apathy and drift. St. George cannot slay those beasts for us. That is our job, and it is a job we must faithfully perform before we can satisfy our consciences that we are contributing our bit to the cause of Freedom and Justice, and to earning for ourselves the right to that Peace the Prime Minister is so earnestly working for. It is in a spirit of determination to accept those responsibilities and fulfil them that we will all now drink to the Toast of our Homeland—England. (Applause.)

Entry into Ballroom

The official entry of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote to the Ballroom was made at 9.30 p.m., when a procession headed by the Beefeaters, proceeded along the passage into the Rose Room, where the National Anthem was played. Mrs. Dowdell and ladies greeted the guests, who then enjoyed an excellent programme of dance music. Sir Roger de Coverley was danced just before supper, the official set comprising: The President and Lady Northcote, His Excellency the Governor and Mrs. Dowdell, Vice-President, Mr. Bousfield and Lady MacGregor, Commodore E. B. C. Dicken and Mrs. Bousfield, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith and Mrs. Dicken, Mr. E. Cock and Mrs. Smith, Lt.-Col. H. B. L.

ART EXHIBITION

Local Preliminary To London Show

The Hongkong Working Artists' Guild announce that arrangements are under way for an exhibition of old Chinese paintings by famous masters, to be held in London in the near future, and that a preliminary show of these will be held on January 30, and 31, and February 1, in the Board Room of the South China Morning Post Building.

It is understood that the exhibits will include work by masters as early as Chien Tze Chien of the Sun Dynasty (A. D. 581-617). Li Su Huan, Wu Tzu Tze, Tiao Kuang Yin and Yin Li Pen of the Tang Dynasty (618-908 A. D.), Mi Fei, Su Han Chen, Tzu Ku, Li Kuei Chen, Chen Sor Yung, Liu Chung Nien, Hala Kuei of the Sung Dynasty (A. D. 960-1279) Sheng Hung and Wu Chen of the Yuan Dynasty (A. D. 1280-1368) and Wu Shih Shen, Yum Po Nien and many others of the Ching Dynasty. It is noteworthy that the exhibits extend from the Sul Dynasty, whereas the exhibition of old Chinese paintings held in London in 1938 under the auspices of the Chinese Government extended only from Li Chao Tzu (son of Li Su Huan) of the Sung Dynasty, onwards.

CASE NOT PROVED

Sequel to Raid on Divan And Find of Heroin

Two Chinese men and a woman were charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday with keeping a heroin divan, and possession of 2,011 heroin pills, and seven heroin pipes at a flat in Spring Garden Lane. After evidence, they were discharged.

The defendants were Kwan King-tung, Lo Lam, and Leung Yau, married woman.

On January 3, a flat in Spring Garden Lane was raided by Revenue officers. The first two defendants were in cubicles, and when questioned, the smokers there alleged that the two supplied them with the heroin pills. In turn, the two accused the woman Leung as being the owner.

After Revenue Officer Brown had testified, his Worship discharged the first defendant, saying she had no case to answer.

The first two defendants were also discharged, after Revenue Officer Dunlop had given evidence, his Worship holding that the evidence given by the prosecution was far from clear, and had not established a prima facie case.

Dowbiggin and Mrs. Hancock, Sir Vandeleur Grayburn and Mrs. Cock, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy and Mrs. Cassidy, Mr. P. S. Cassidy and Miss D. Dowdell.

Guests at the official supper party were: The President and Lady Northcote, His Excellency the Governor and Mrs. Dowdell, Vice-President and Lady MacGregor, His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor, Mrs. Dousfield, Monsieur H. van der Straeten and Mrs. Wardle, Mr. A. F. Stratten and Mrs. van der Straeten, Commodore E. B. C. Dicken and Mrs. Southard, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith and Mrs. Dicken, Hon. Sir Robert Koe-wall and Mrs. Smith, Col. Sir Richard Needham and Mrs. Thomson, Brigadier A. B. Thomson and Mrs. Peck, Group Captain A. H. Peck and Mrs. Peck, Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow and Mrs. King, Hon. Mr. T. H. King and Mrs. Kay, Mr. H. R. B. Hancock and Mrs. Pearce, Mr. W. Kay and Mrs. Cock, Mr. T. E. Pearce and Mrs. Hughes, Mr. E. Cock and Mrs. Dowbiggin, Mr. C. G. Perrier and Mrs. Archbutt, Mr. G. S. Archbutt and Mrs. Perdur, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy and Mrs. Cassidy, Mr. F. B. Winter and Mrs. Cornell, Mr. W. A. Cornell and Mrs. Labrum, Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Mr. V. C. Labrum.

The Committees

The following contributed their services to the success of the evening: Invitation and Reception Committee—Hon. Mr. Dowdell (Chairman), Mr. J. K. Bousfield (Vice-President), Hon. Sir H. E. Pollock, Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. E. Cock, Lt.-Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Sir Vandeleur Grayburn, Mr. G. S. Archbutt, Decoration Committee—Mr. W. A. Cornell (Chairman), Mr. A. G. W. Tiedie, Mr. G. G. Wood, (Mr. W. E. Orchard arranged the foodlighting), Music and Dancing Committee—Mr. P. S. Cassidy and Mr. V. C. Labrum.

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THE TEMPLE OF INTER REALITIES

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markable feats with swords, knives, spears, iron bars, etc. to the intense wonder of the crowd, utterly amazed as to how these patently ignorant youths could become so adept in a difficult art, in which apparently they had never been instructed.

TRUE clairvoyance, however, is claimed by the Chinese to be a psychic state in which the female sex is alone capable of attainment, and they cite as confirmatory evidence of this fact, that out of 200 women, 180 can become seers of remarkable power. Consequently, Chinese women are those who attempt to enter into mesmeric trances, and the procedure generally employed is as mysterious and bizarre as any witnessed among mediums in the West.

SEVERAL women who desire to transcend the bounds of their own corporeity, and enter into rapport with objects and individualities, near or remote in space and time, sit around a table in a partially darkened room. Their heads are cradled in their arms in such a manner that their faces are hidden, while other women who act as mesmerisers walk softly around the room, waving incense sticks, and chanting in subdued voices the following incantation:

"Saam-kuo-tse, sei-foo-yan,
Yan ch'uen saam-tse ho-meng-shing ch'uen.
Chue-na-shau haang keuk paal-mel,
Lok-yam-si,
Lok-to-yam-si tai-foo ts'in-t'iu-lo,
Pin-t'iu sin-lo hui ts'an wan?
Ts'am-to ts'an-yan tui ts'an kong,
Kong-yuen shuei-wa chuen-wan yueing
Yau ts'an yan ts'ik ts'an ts'an ts'ik,
Mo-ts'an mo-ts'ik shuei fa-man,
Hang-hang-kong hang-hang-loi!
T'ung kwan tai-mool lok shueing loi!
Yau lo saam-tse tai k'ai hui
Yau lo sei-kuo tai k'ai woi!
"Young ladies three, old ladies four,
Ladies of fame whom all adore,
We creeping sows our tails do shake,
Our tails to Hades now we take.
In Hades are a thousand roads
Where shall we seek for souls' abodes?
We'd find our kin and to them speak;
When done, our way to earth will seek;
Kindred we seek if there they dwell.
No kindred of our flowers pray tell,
Come, quickly come! say quickly say!
Enter our wombs, ye sisters, creep!
Young ladies three conduct us hence,
Old ladies four conduct us thence.
—Versified translation by W. Stanton.

It is claimed that twenty to thirty minutes of such a ceremonial preparation is sufficient to induce the mesmeric trance, although, in some cases, one or two hours may elapse before any result be obtained. When the desired state has been reached, the clairvoyants describe the sights they see and the people they meet by bursting into a sort of impromptu song, which, if we are to trust the statements of those who have witnessed such seances, is as awe-inspiring an event as can be imagined.

MR. McLAY RETIRING

Members of the General Committee of the Hongkong St. Andrew's Society entertained Mr. R. M. McLay at a dinner party yesterday, on the occasion of his retirement.

The party was held at the Jacobean Room of the Hongkong Hotel. The Chairman of the Society, Mr. W. Kay, presented Mr. McLay with a silver cigarette box. Mr. McLay suitably replied.

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ROYAL SCOTS' RETREAT

H. E. the Governor and Lady Northcote will be present at the playing of Retreat by the 2nd Battalion, The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment) at the Hongkong Cricket Club at 5 p.m. next Friday.



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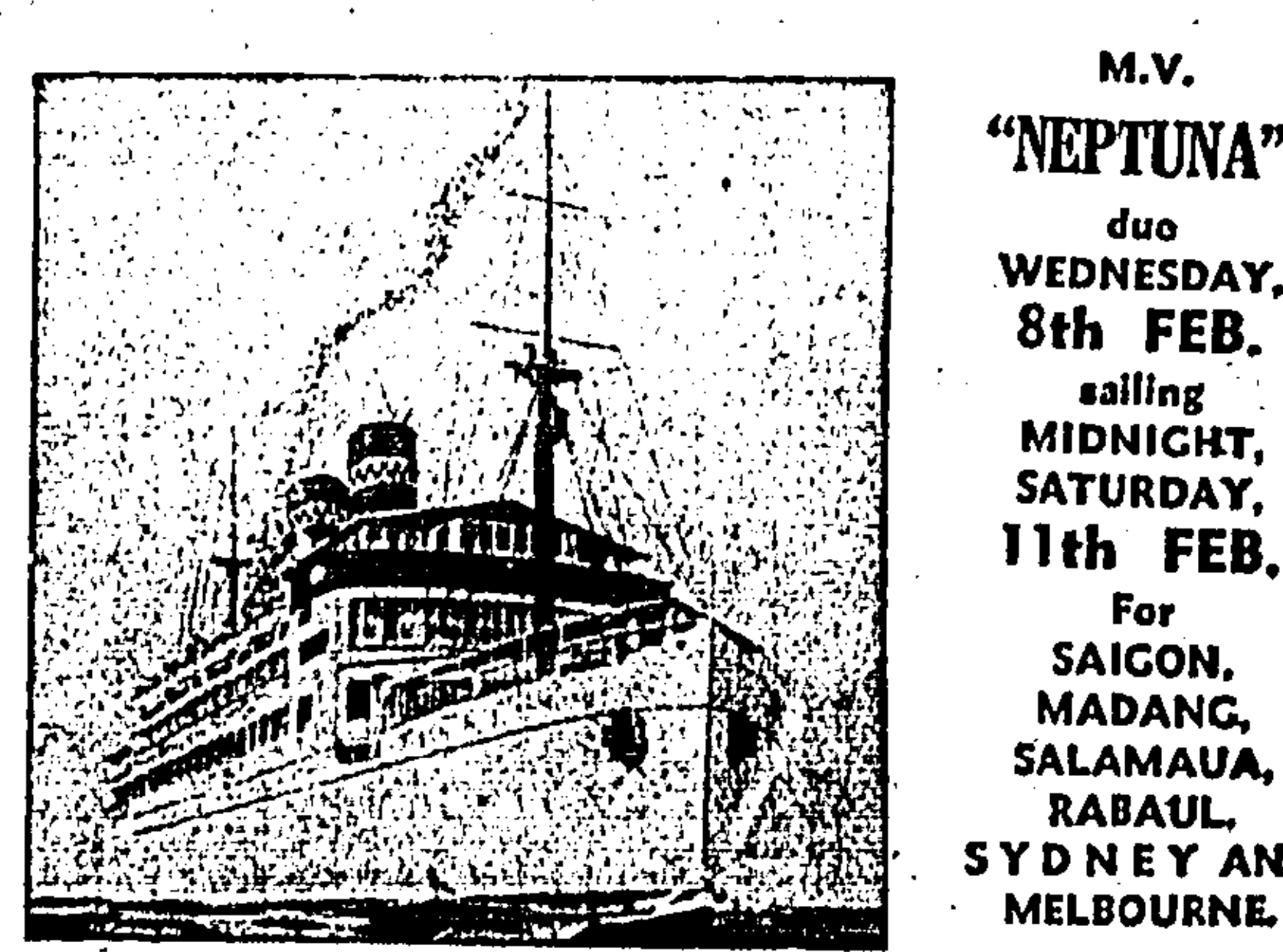
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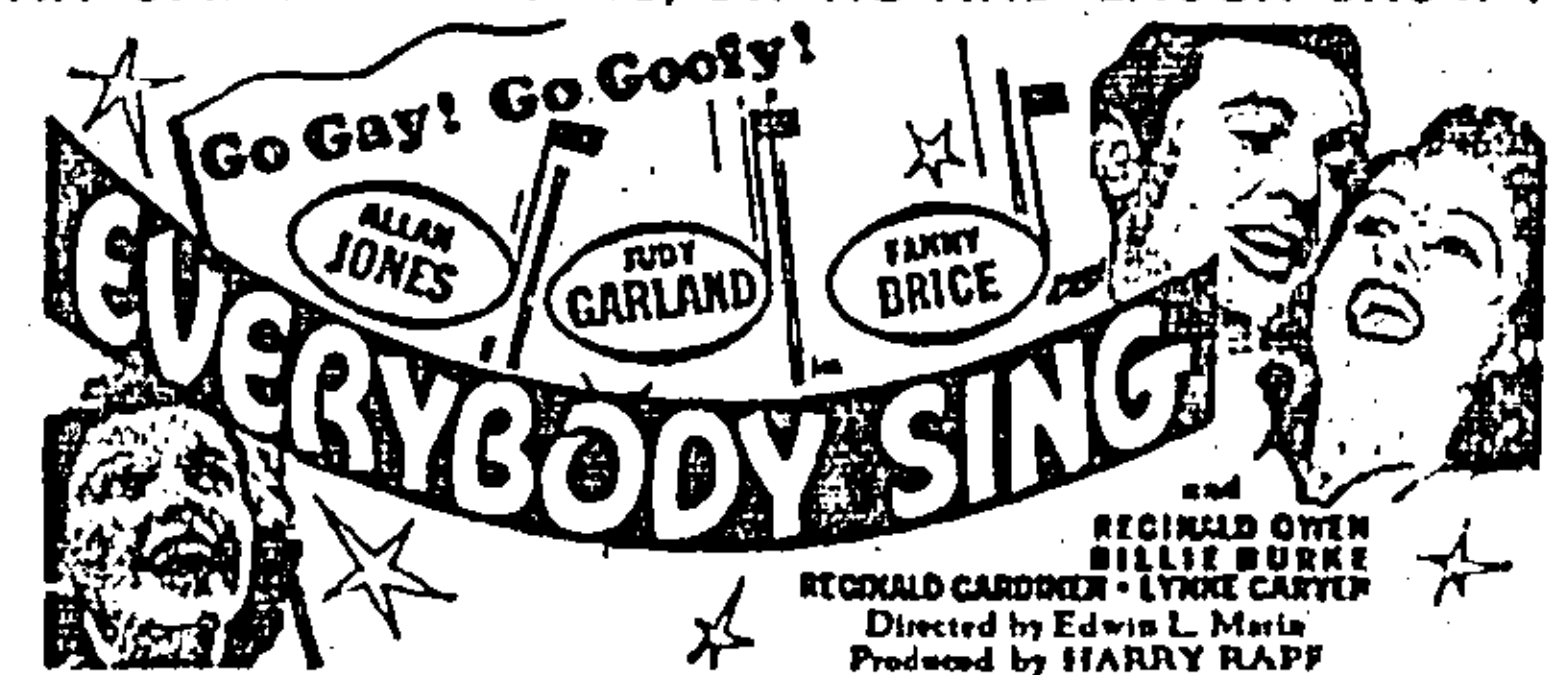
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LATE NEWS

"Slap At United States," Claim

Washington, Jan. 20.
Here Walter Funk's appointment as President of the Reichsbank is termed by a high department official here as a "slap at the United States."

Other officials said that Herr Funk was "noted for his animosity towards the United States."

The general comment of commerce departments here on Dr. Schacht's "dismissal" was that the change had no real bearing on German-American trade, because Dr. Schacht had long ago been only a "figurehead," and that Germany was already doing everything she could to curtail trade with the United States.

It was predicted, however, that despite Germany's efforts to diminish purchases from the United States, such necessities as cotton, petroleum, copper, lead, and phosphorus would continue to be bought here because Germany needs them badly.—Reuter.

Foreign Property Damaged In Kuling Raid

Nanchang, Jan. 21.
Considerable damage was done to foreign property during the Japanese raid on Kuling, famous summer resort in north Kiangsi, on January 10, according to reports received here. It was the first raid to be made on the famed health resort.

Several bombs landed in missionary residences and churches.

The foreign missions concerned have telegraphed to their respective consulates to protest against the Japanese bombing.

Though indignant Chinese civilians of Kuling remain calm.

Meanwhile, the Japanese are intensifying their attack on the Chinese guerrillas guarding the summer resort. Fighting is going on at Changchashan, southwest of Kuling, and other points in the neighbourhood.—Central News.

Insurgent Drive

Lerida, Jan. 20.
During the past 24 hours, the Insurgents have occupied 30 villages on the Catalan front, and some advance posts in the different sectors are only 50 kilometres from Barcelona.

Barcelona's third defence line is already under fire.

General Garcia Valino announced to-day the capture of Calaf, which means the occupation of which would further threaten the encirclement of Barcelona.—United Press.

NEW BOOM DEFENCE SHIP ARRIVES

The new boom defence ship Barlowe has arrived in Hongkong after a slow passage from England.

She will shortly undergo trials, before being handed over to the Admiralty in Hongkong.

"Killed In Action"

ROME, Jan. 20.
A list of 177 Italian legionnaires killed in action in the fighting in Catalonia was published in Rome to-day.

Ship's Engineer Missing

According to a police report, Mr. F. Keraluke, chief engineer of Jardine's steamer Hongsung, which is in the harbour, has been missing for two days, and some anxiety has been created by absence of information concerning his whereabouts.

King Honours H.K. Army Chaplain

Rev. W. M. A. Farren, M.A., Chaplain General to the British Military Forces in the Far East has been appointed Honorary Chaplain to His Majesty the King.

This distinguished honour has been conferred on only six other Army chaplains throughout the British Empire.

1 DEAD, 3 HURT IN SHIP TRAGEDY

One man was killed and three injured when iron beam supporting cover of No. 3 hold of Indo-China S. N. Co. steamer Hiansang suddenly collapsed yesterday.

The beam and hatch, on which the four men were standing, fell to the bottom of the hold of the ship, a distance of about 20 feet.

Dead man is Po Yo, aged 51.

Two Troopships For Hongkong Soon

New naval troopship Ettrich, with which the P. and O. line will enter the troping service after ten years absence, is due in Hongkong in March with naval reliefs.

Modification of Army troping arrangements were also announced this morning. H. M. T. Lancashire, which was to take reliefs from U.K. to Singapore, has had itinerary extended to Hongkong, and will arrive here on March 23, departing five days later. The reason is stated to be congestion which has prevented reliefs from arriving in Hongkong in time to take over the posts of departing officers.

Junks In Gun Battle Nr. H.K.

HONGKONG police launches are rushing to intervene in a battle between two junks near the Ninepins. The Master of the steamer Yochow, which arrived in Hongkong this morning, reports that as he was passing the Nine Pins at 8.30 a.m., he witnessed a gun duel between two junks, which were firing vigorously at each other in the vicinity.

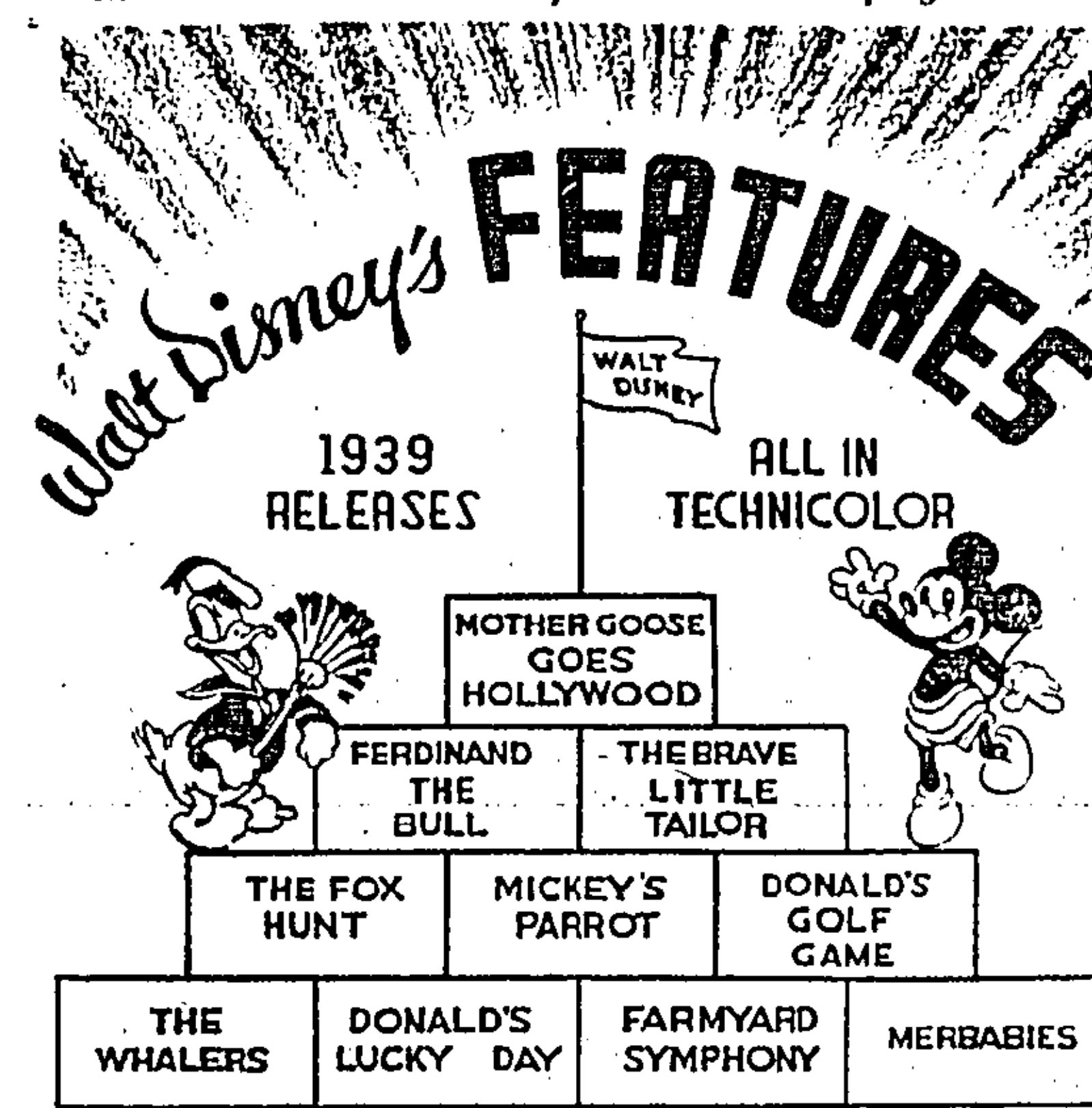
Immediately the report was made radio messages were flashed to a patrolling police launch, which is proceeding to the scene.

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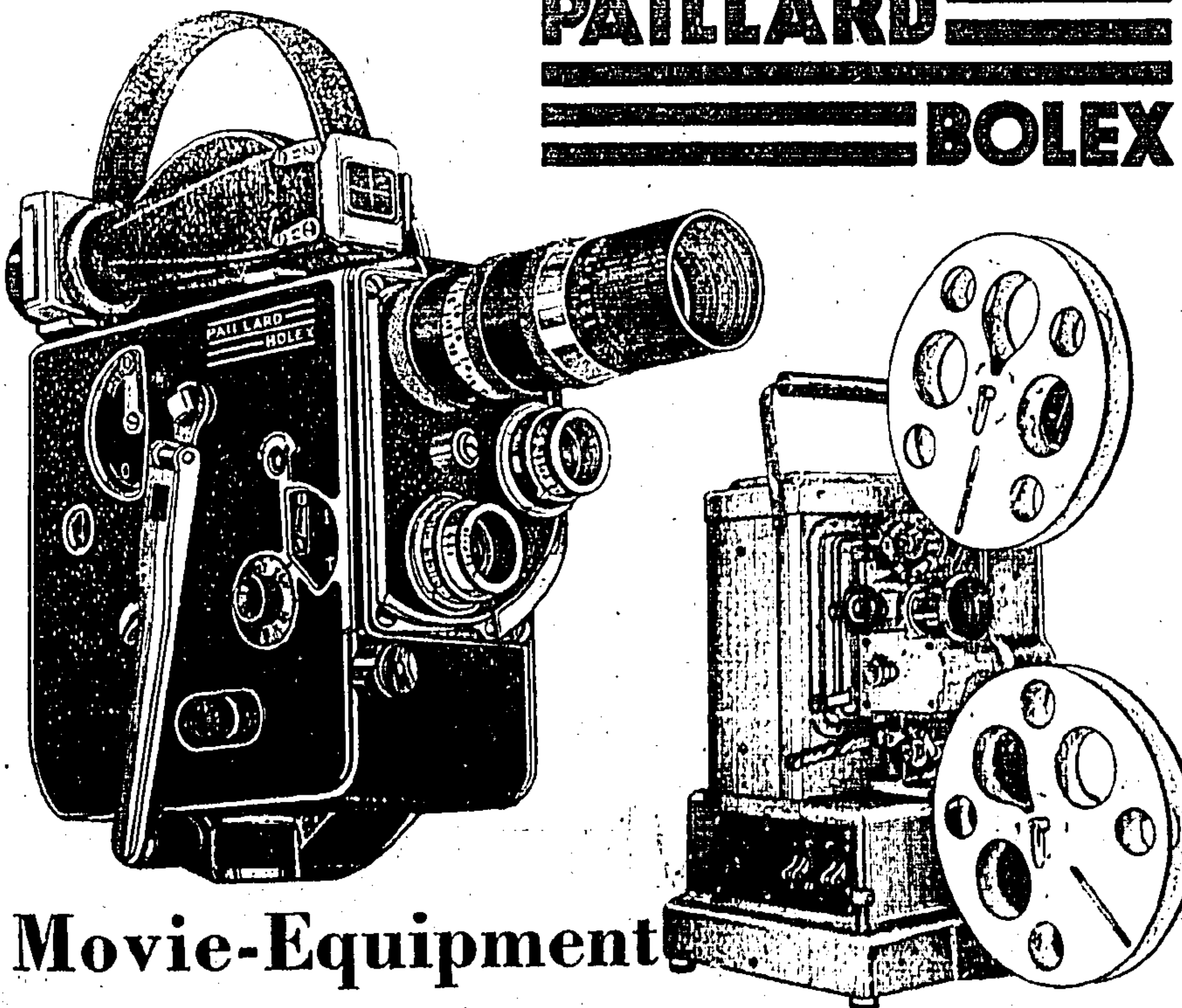
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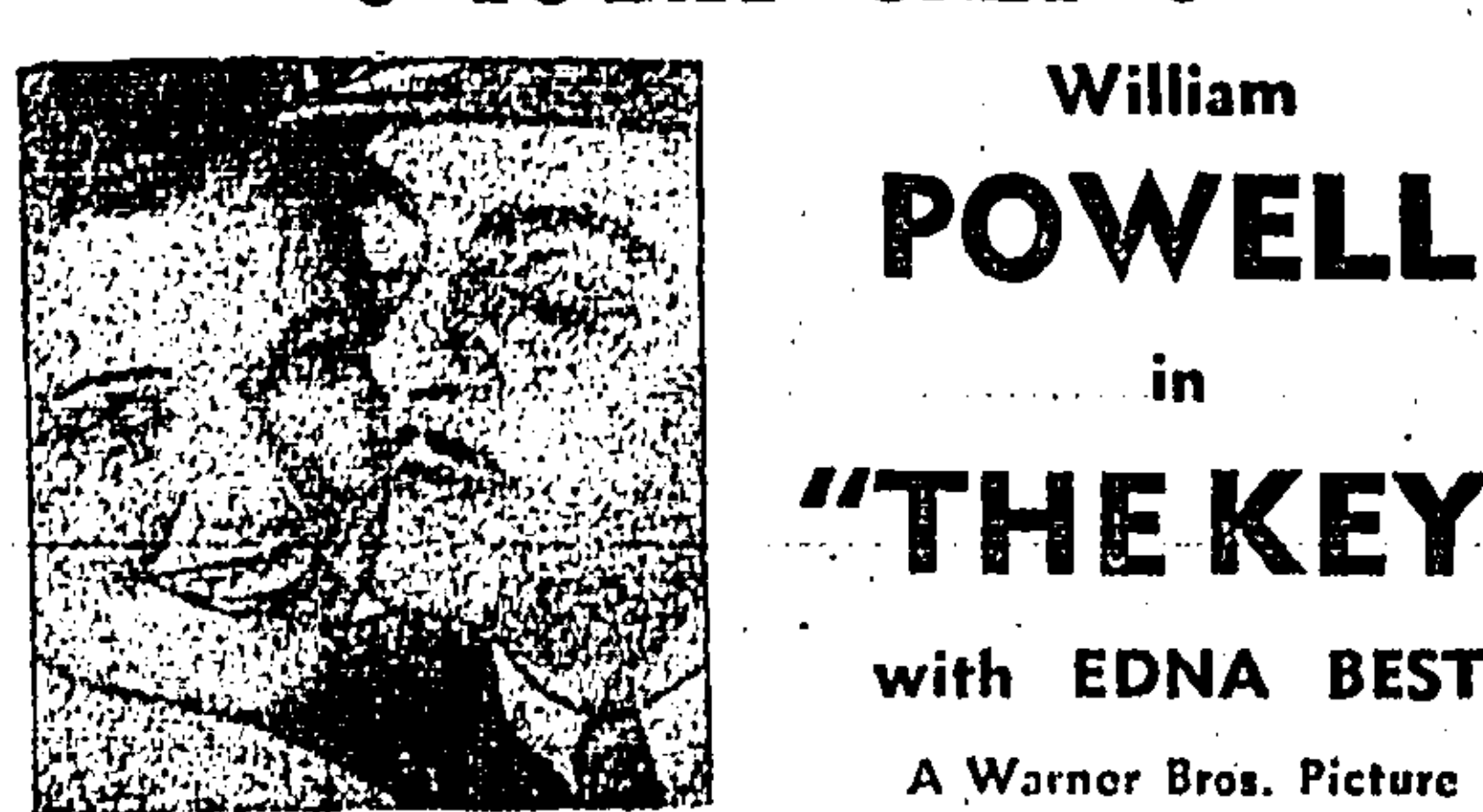


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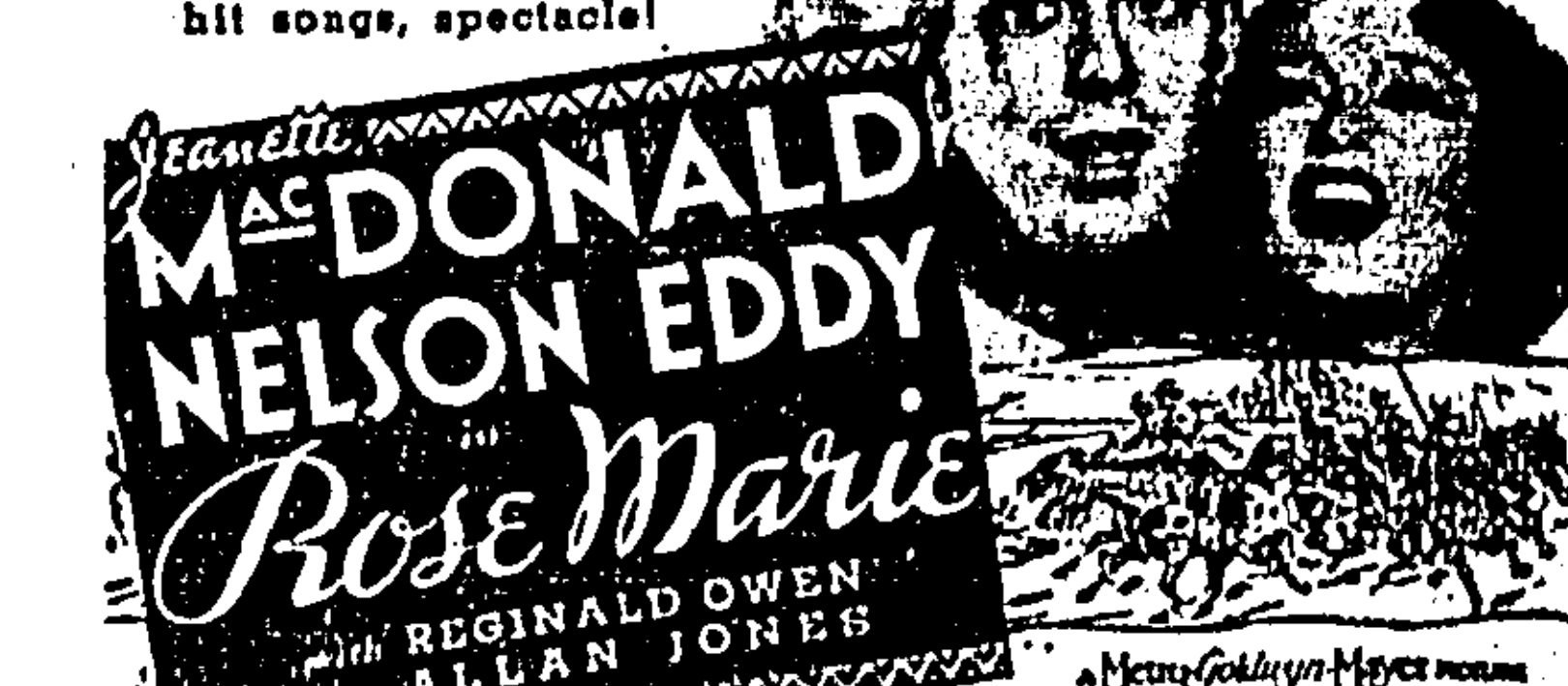
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